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INTEREST ON EPF TO BE CUT TO FOUR-DECADE LOW OF 8.1%

The Employees' Provident Fund Organisation on Saturday proposed slashing the rate to its lowest since 1977-78

WILL HURT SAVINGS OF 6 CR PROFESSIONALS

The decision by the EPFO's Central Board of Trustees (CBT), days after election results were announced in five states, will affect six million salaried-professionals. A member of the CBT said the decision was taken due to difficulty faced by the EPFO in generating good returns from its investments. While the corpus is up by 13%, interest income is up only 8%

EPFO SELLS SOME OF ITS INVESTMENTS

- "For FY 2022, EPFO decided to liquidate some of its investment and the interest rate recommended is a result of combined income from debt and equity investments," a statement by the EPFO said
- The EPFO invests 85% of its accruals in debt and 15% in equity
- The new rate has to be approved by the finance ministry P10

8%

WAS THE INTEREST ON EMPLOYEES' PROVIDENT FUND IN 1977-78

CHENNAI ▪ MADURAI ▪ VIJAYAWADA ▪ BENGALURU ▪ KOCHI ▪ HYDERABAD ▪ VISAKHAPATNAM ▪ COIMBATORE ▪ KOZHIKODE ▪ THIRUVANANTHAPURAM ▪ BELAGAVI ▪ BHUBANESWAR ▪ SHIVAMOGGA ▪ MANGALURU ▪ TIRUPATI ▪ TIRUCHY ▪ TIRUNELVELI ▪ SAMBALPUR ▪ HUBBALLI ▪ DHARMAPURI ▪ KOTTAYAM ▪ KANNUR ▪ VILLUPURAM ▪ KOLLAM ▪ TADEPALLIGUDEM ▪ NAGAPATTINAM ▪ THRISSUR ▪ KALABURAGI

Russian forces tighten noose around Kyiv, seize suburbs of Mariupol

A Russian shell hits an apartment building in Mariupol on Friday night | AP

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE

UKRAINIAN capital Kyiv on Saturday braced for the much-feared Russian offensive to take the capital, as the enemy troops surrounded the city and stepped up airstrikes on its outskirts. South of Kyiv, the port city of Mariupol also saw intense fighting with Russian forces taking control of parts of its suburbs.

The northwest parts of the capital, including Irpin and Bucha, have already endured days of heavy bombardment while Russian armoured vehicles are advancing on the northeastern edge.

With the sound of the enemy's boots growing louder, the Ukrainian forces as well as civilians who have taken up arms to defend their city, are gearing up for the final assault. The capital city's mayor reported that every street and every house is being fortified.

Satellite images on Saturday showed buildings on fire as Russia bombed cities near Kyiv as it made its final push to take the capital.

Meanwhile, in Mariupol, a mosque reportedly sheltering more than 80 people, including children, came under heavy shelling. Aid workers on Saturday warned of an unfolding humanitarian catastrophe in the port city, which has been without water, gas and power supply for much of the past two weeks after being cut off from the rest of the country.

Beyond Kyiv and Mariupol, the cities of Kharkiv, Chernihiv, and Sumy remained encircled and continued to suffer heavy Russian shelling.

Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy said 1,300 Ukrainian soldiers have died fighting the Russians since the attacks began on February 24.

As the West rushed to supply arms to Ukraine, Russia warned it will hit the convoys carrying the weapons. P9

DIGITAL AGE

Public can now fill in and submit census data online

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ New Delhi

THE public can now fill up and submit census data online as per the Census (Amendment) Rules, 2022, notified by the Centre late on Friday.

"A person may fill up, complete, and submit the census schedule through self-enumeration," according to the rules notified by the Union home ministry.

As per the new rules, self-enumeration means "filling up, completion and submission of census schedule by respondents themselves."

In Rule 5 of the census rules, which deals with the publishing of the census statistics through publications of magnetic media, the word "media" has been replaced with "electronic or any other media".

A clause has been added to Rule 6 to allow filling up the census schedule through self-enumeration.

Rule 9 has also been amended to include, "print, electronic and social media" as means to increase the publicity of the census exercise. Earlier, the rule mentioned only "radio, audio-visuals and posters."

House visits by the enumerators to collect census data will continue as in the past.

The census operation continues to be on hold. The housing listing phase of the census was to be carried out across the country from April 1 to September 30, 2020, but got postponed due to Covid-19.

JAB-O-METER — TAKE YOUR SHOT

March 11: 16,14,169 doses
March 12: 17,82,501 doses
TOTAL DOSES 1,80,10,69,235

NATIONWIDE	MAR 11	MAR 12
Fresh cases	4,194	3,614
Recoveries	6,208	5,185
Deaths	255	89

KARNATAKA	MAR 11	MAR 12
Fresh cases	181	136
Recoveries	260	275
Deaths	3	2

Crucial CWC meeting today

G-23 leaders to demand change in leadership; Gandhi loyalists question dissenters' intent

RICHA SHARMA @ New Delhi

AFTER the shocking poll debacle, battle lines are drawn in the Congress between those supporting the Nehru-Gandhis and those questioning their continuing at the helm ahead of the Congress Working Committee meeting. The CWC meeting, scheduled to take place at Sunday 4 pm, is likely to see fireworks as the G-23 leaders are determined to pose tough questions to the high command and seek a change in leadership and immediate reforms in the party. Gandhi loyalists, meanwhile, have rallied behind the family saying the party cannot survive without the Gandhis.

Congress president Sonia Gandhi has convened the CWC, the party's highest decision-making body, to dwell upon the party's dismal performance in the assembly elections. The meeting is expected to be noisy as Rahul and Priyanka Gandhi's leadership skills and choice of core team members will come under the scanner after the party drew a blank in five states. A senior party leader said it has to be seen if heads will roll at the CWC or it will end up without fixing responsibility and taking concrete steps. Meanwhile, the party categorically denied rumours of the Gandhis' resignation.

The tone for the meeting has already been set with family loyalists targeting G23 leaders like Ghulam Nabi Azad, Anand Sharma, Manish Tewari and others, suggesting they had done nothing to strengthen the party other than publicly criticising the leadership at repeated intervals. AICC general secretary Tariq Anwar said some people just looked for opportunities to attack the party when it is passing through a tough phase. "How can they be party's well-wishers?" he said.

Karnataka Congress incharge D K Shivakumar defended the leadership saying that without the Gandhis, the Congress cannot stay united.

Calling for inner-party democracy, Congress MP Shashi Tharoor, part of G23, in an article Saturday wrote that it would help if the party took steps to promote inner-party democracy and then rein in internal dissent. "Seek the views of a wide cross-section of party stalwarts, not just a favored few," he wrote. He also suggested that the party should explore pragmatic coalitions.

BJP eyes becoming the aam aadmi's party

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR @ New Delhi

BUOYED by the impressive win in state polls, the BJP now wants to blunt the Opposition's charge that it's pro-corporate party by rebranding itself as a pro-poor party ahead of the bigger battle in 2024.

The nationwide perception change seeks to expand the party's footprint by building on its 'poor-friendly' image. The BJP is also learnt to be working on a plan to have a stronger foothold among the poor, women and the youth. In the just-concluded assembly elections, women and youths are believed to have played a key role in the party's return to power in four states,

According to sources, schemes for farmers, women and youths, with focus on employment generation, education and economic empowerment are on the cards.

"We have always been a party of 'aam janata' (common people) contrary to the false perception created against us. The results of recent Assembly elections have once again proved this. But we have thought of doing more to prove our people-friendly credentials through our performances and policies," said a BJP leader, adding that a comprehensive plan to falsify the opposition-created narrative would soon be in the offing. Senior leaders in the party's think-tank are working on chalking out a comprehensive strategy in this regard.

Sources said the saffron party is also considering improving its perception amongst the minorities ahead of the 2024 Lok Sabha elections. "Some minority-specific schemes and policies can be expected soon," a source said.

The move comes at a time when regional parties, with strong grassroots support in the states they are based in, are making aggressive attempts to mount a joint challenge to the BJP in 2024.

CM IBRAHIM QUITS CONGRESS

Bengaluru: Senior Congress leader and MLC CM Ibrahim on Saturday said he has resigned from the primary membership of the party and also the MLC post. "Being a senior leader I could not speak to you or Rahul Gandhi directly and place the facts before you... it had to be routed through in-charge general secretaries and it is well known to you how they respond...," he explained in a letter to Sonia Gandhi. P4

Maternal mortality dips, state ranking improves

CHETANA BELAGERE
@Bengaluru

KARNATAKA has jumped from 9th to 8th rank in maternal mortality rate among states in the country. Experts, although appreciative of this, say it is still not enough as the numbers continue to be the highest in Karnataka among the five southern States.

The report released by the Ministry of Home Affairs revealed that Karnataka's Maternal Mortality Ratio (MMR) has declined from 92 per lakh live births in 2015-17 to 83 per lakh live births in 2017-19.

The MMR is a significant indicator that defines the public health of a state. It determines the progress made by states in saving the lives of pregnant women during pregnancy, childbirth and lactation.

But several experts working in the field say this is not enough. Karnataka has reduced sustainable development goals set by the United Nations at 70 per lakh live births that has to be achieved by 2030. "There is definitely an improvement in the numbers. The success has to be attributed to institutional deliveries, better antenatal services and better access to contraceptive choices. The better implementation of initiatives like Janani Sudarshan Yojana (JSY), Surakshit Matritva Aashwashan (SUMAN), Janani Shishu Suraksha Karyakaram (JSSK), Pradhan Mantri Surakshit Matritva Abhiyan (PMSMA), Chiranjivi Yojana, Mamtha Ghar and others have helped reduce MMR," explains Dr Soumya Sangamesh, consultant, infertility specialist, BGS Gleneagles Global Hospital.

But Karnataka is still highest among the southern states, with Kerala with an MMR of 30, Telangana 56, and Tamil Nadu and Andhra Pradesh both at 58. The survey was done in 2017-19 before the Covid 19 pandemic. P3

K'taka's numbers still highest in South

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PUTIN'S CLONES
Even after the Soviet Union fell, many former Communist countries continue to be ruled by admiring tyrants friendly to President Vladimir Putin's Russia

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BJP may start campaign in state after PM's April visit

ASHWINI M SRIPAD @ Bengaluru

WITH Prime Minister Narendra Modi visiting Karnataka in April 2022 to launch various initiatives and programmes, the state Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) is all set to begin its campaign early for the 2023 Assembly polls.

On one side, BJP state leaders, including Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai and former CM BS Yediyurappa, are expected to tour different parts of the state after the present legislature session, while on the other side, national leaders will start focusing on Karnataka as the Assembly polls are just a year away.

BJP sources said that the state government has one year to implement its schemes to sway voters. P4

EXPRESS READ

Pakistan demands joint probe into accidental firing of missile

New Delhi: Pakistan has sought explanations from India over "technical malfunction" which "led to the accidental firing of a missile". Pakistan has demanded a joint probe into the incident to establish the facts. P8

Alliance Air aircraft overshoots runway at Jabalpur airport

New Delhi: An Alliance Air flight from Delhi carrying 55 passengers overshot the runway by 10 m while landing at the Jabalpur airport on Saturday. None of the 55 passengers or five crew members was injured. P8

IT'S A FAN FEST AT CHINNASWAMY STADIUM

ASHIM SUNAM @ Bengaluru

THE scenes outside the M Chinnaswamy Stadium drew a visual narrative on a sunny Saturday afternoon.

Fans, who stood in long queues to get inside the venue with painted faces and waving Tricolours, dominated the proceedings as Bengaluru geared up for its first international cricket game — second Test between India and Sri Lanka — after the Covid pandemic. When buses carrying both the teams proceeded towards the main gate, fans cheered them on, showing their excitement, love and craze for the gentleman's game.

The atmosphere inside the stadium was no different with fans chanting their favourite players' names, including Virat Kohli and Rohit Sharma, from the stands.

Faf du Plessis to lead Royal Challengers

Bengaluru: The Royal Challengers Bangalore on Saturday appointed former South Africa national team skipper Faf du Plessis as their new captain for the upcoming edition of Indian Premier League. P11

With the venue hosting its first day-night Test match, the commentators and ground staff in pink Nehru jackets and polo neck tees also added colour. Even before the game began, chants of Kohli and Royal Challengers Bangalore (RCB) dominated proceedings as he walked towards the field.

As if that was not enough, the disk jockey (DJ) played some peppy music to liven the atmosphere. It was a great sight to see the Bengaluru crowd thronging the stadium for the longer format, which has declined in popularity over the years worldwide. P2

India's Shreyas Iyer (92) pulls on Day 1 of the second Test between India and Sri Lanka in Bengaluru on Saturday | AFP

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ALMANAC TODAY
• Sunday : 13/03/2022 • Year: Plava • Ayana: Uttharayana
• Ritu: Sishira • Masa: Phalguna • Paksha: Krishna • Tithi: Dasami 8.34 am
• Nakshatra: Punarvasu 6.32 pm • Moon in Kataka Rashi • Rahukaala: 04:30 pm to 06:00 pm
• Gulikakala: 03:00 pm to 04:30 pm • Yamaganda: 12:00 pm to 01:30 pm

WEATHER
MIN 19°C | MAX 33°C
FORECAST
Increasing cloudiness

Sunrise 6.28 am
Sunset 6.30 pm
Moonrise 2.47 am
Moonset 2.20 pm

Awards and recognition

Basavaraj Konek has won more than 35 awards

Got 'Best Publisher Award' in 2013 from Kannada Book Authority, included citation and Rs 1 lakh cash

Rajyotsava Award

Awards by Kannada Sahitya Parishat, Delhi Kannadiga Sangha

Basavaraj Konek is an asset to Kalyana Karnataka region. Commitment to work and personal approach helped him establish a book mall, which is a first of its kind here

Prof. Dayanand Agsar, Vice-Chancellor, Gulbarga University

Books arranged on shelves at Siddalingeshwar Book Mall (below), which was set up by Basavaraj Konek (left)

THE BOOKKEEPER

For the young boy who started working for his exam fee, books became a lodestar, turning him into a businessman and publisher

RAMKRISHNA BADSESHI @Kalaburagi

BASAVARAJ Konek has come a long way from his apprenticeship at a book store as a teenager -- he is now an author, publisher and owner of a book mall in Kalaburagi. At the age of 70, he can look back on the twists and turns of his life, the many chances he took, and the opportunities he got, to achieve what he has today.

Siddalingeshwar Book Mall and Book Depot, which he has nurtured over the years, is a treasure house of tomes, especially textbooks which are always on discount. At least 1.5 lakh books of various categories are available at the store. Konek has also published books of about 2,000 writers of Kalyana Karnataka region.

Born on Basava Jayanti in 1952 to Gurappa and Itabai, he spent his childhood in poverty and struggle. His parents managed to admit him to school, but he lost his father by the time he completed Class 10, which meant that he couldn't pay Rs 13.50 for his SSLC re-examination.

Basavaraj got a job in Dharmapal Arya's Book Depot and earned his exam fee. But with the family's financial burden weighing heavy on his young shoulders, Basavaraj was forced to find a new job at Bhavikatti's Book Stall, where he was paid a princely sum of Rs 80 per month. Here, Basavaraj developed many contacts, and became a favourite with customers. People who visited Bhavikatti's Book Stall started identifying Basavaraj as 'namma huduga' (our boy). An intelligent young man, he learned valuable lessons on business acumen, humility and belief in customers. It was here that he understood the importance of books and that they could be a good business idea. After working for over seven years, Basavaraj mulled the idea of starting his own bookshop, knowing well that he would be entering a competitive field. Though he was offered the post of village accountant, he spurned it and started a small bookstore, more like a paan stall, near Jagat Circle in 1977. He was overjoyed when he earned Rs 1.25 from his first customer.

Sheer hard work and sharp trade skills helped him take his fledgling business to a new level, and eventually, he opened a book mall.

From store to publishing

After a few years, Basavaraj made his first move in the publishing line, with pocketbooks for SSLC students on subjects like Kannada and Social Studies, which he himself authored, with the help of high school teachers. He worked hard to market his pocketbooks, visiting every high school, talking to principals, teachers and students.

The rapport he established with educational stakeholders – teachers, lecturers, principals, librarians and administrators -- was a big boon in promoting his business activities. His idea of business growth included having his two sons spend a minimum of one hour every day in his store to master the trade, besides their school education. While his first son Siddalinga is a B.Com graduate, second son Sharan completed his MBA. His wife Basamma was a dealer for MSIL and won kudos for her work. The opportunity to expand his business beckoned when Gulbarga University was carved out as a separate entity from Karnatak University, Dharwad. As owner of a textbook shop, it was his primary concern to ensure that all textbooks are available to students. Initially, students of Gulbarga University had to follow the syllabus of Karnatak University, with only one or two chapters of localised content, but even for that, they had to struggle for study material. Responding to their needs, Konek met professors and lecturers, and got them to author books, which he published. Thus, he became the sole publisher of all books required by Gulbarga University.

Encouraged, he launched 25 books under the leadership of short story writer Balachandra Jaishetty in 2002, to mark the silver jubilee of his book business. He has another pet mission: to encourage budding and senior writers of Kalyana Karnataka region. Towards this end, he started publishing a minimum of 25 books every year, giving writers their honorarium, besides 25 books free of cost. This year, he has published 125 books written by different writers on various subjects.

EXPRESS ILLUSTRATION

A STITCH IN TIME

Somavva Lamani has donned the role of training younger women of her community in the art of traditional Banjara embroidery, preserving an age-old culture

RAGHOTTAM KOPPAR @Gadag

IT'S a balmy afternoon at Kundaralli tanda near Shirahatti in Gadag district. Somavva Lamani is busy with her team, putting together richly embroidered apparel, with intricate patterns and glittering mirror-work -- a hallmark of the Banjaras, a community to which she belongs, and whose craft she is striving to preserve.

Somavva took up this passionate task 20 years ago, when she noticed the demand for products and artwork by the Banjaras was decreasing. She gave up her bread-and-butter occupation of selling sugarcane and opted to save her tradition.

Two decades later, Somavva is a brand today, whose special dresses are in high demand across Maharashtra, Telangana and Goa. As orders grew, she built a small team, providing employment to 10 other women. Simultaneously, she began training those interested in traditional embroidery at her tanda.

Banjara attire, lifestyle, traditions and customs are unique. But modernisation, technology, and need for gainful employment have forced many from the community to leave their traditional land and settle in big cities. Somavva, however, chose to stay in Kundralli, where she currently lives with her husband Mangalappa.

In the beginning, Somavva alone stitched dresses, which her family members carried around to sell across other tandas and towns. When orders began increasing, Somavva found it difficult and decided to teach stitching and traditional embroidery to young women of her community.

Mangalappa would source pieces of mirror from a nearby town, along with other ornaments required for the designs. Initially, when Somavva began her work, the biggest challenge was attracting sales. Also, she took nearly two months to stitch more than 10 dresses.

Her husband started visiting all villages and towns of North Karnataka. When he went to Vijayapura and other places, he was told to attend Banjara district-level and regional-level meetings. Mangalappa met several people in those meetings and shared his and Somavva's story. Somavva also joined him at such meetings in Vijayapura, Sirsi, Bhimasati, Surgondanakoppa and Goa. She received much appreciation in Goa, where they joined a state-level Banjara festival. This was the turning point for them, and soon after, they started getting orders from Hyderabad, Sholapur, Hubballi, Ballari, Vijayapura, and other places.

"Earlier, it was hard to find work. One day, I thought of continuing my tradition of stitching embroidered dresses of our people and selling them. As Banjaras are moving to different occupations, the number of traditional weavers is decreasing. I have involved some people who have been taught to upkeep our rich culture and tradition. My husband and son also help me," Somavva says.

Traditional Banjara or Lambani dresses (for women) comprise a blouse (Khanchali), whales (Batiya), and skirt (Phetiya), all of which are decorated with beads, coins, mirror pieces, and other ornaments. Somavva says that her husband and son visit many parts of Karnataka to collect bangles, chains, pearls, glass, buttons and other embellishments for the dresses.

"We sing folk songs while stitching our traditional dresses. It is believed that by doing so, no dosha or other evil will affect those who wear them. It is a practice which we have followed for ages," she says.

"My mother has not gone to school, but she has emerged as a model for our community and many people from other states visit us and express their surprise after watching the designs of our traditional dresses," Mahantesh Lamani, Somavva's son, says.

Somavva Lamani gets to work on a dress at Kundaralli tanda. Somavva with other women of the Banjara community (below)| EXPRESS

Dresses start from ₹7k to ₹25k

The dresses made by Somavva, which contain many ornaments and traditional embroidery, are priced according to their value-addition and finesse. They cost anywhere from ₹7,000 for regular outfits, going upwards to ₹25,000 for attires meant for special occasions. People place orders months in advance.

Who are the Banjaras?

According to Wikipedia, the Banjaras are a historically nomadic trading tribe who may have origins in Mewar of Rajasthan. They are spread across several states, including Karnataka, and are known by different names, such as Gor, Lambani, and Lambadi, among others.

We are happy that Somavva has taken on a noble role, and the Karnataka Janapada Kala Parishat has also identified her lifetime service and honoured her. I will bring this to the notice of the State Government and help her soon

— Ramanna Lamani, MLA, Shirahatti

Quota paper must before last date of job application: HC

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Bengaluru

THE Karnataka High Court on Saturday held that a candidate should obtain a certificate of reservation, prior to the last date of submitting an application for a job, as prescribed in the recruitment notification, and it should also be produced when sought.

IN THE HC

A division bench of Justices SG Pandit and Anant Ramanath Hegde passed the order while allowing a petition filed by the Selection Authority and Secretary of the Karnataka High School Examination Board, Department of Public Instructions.

"The creamy layer certificate or income certificate would depend on the income of a person from his vocation or profession or employment as on the date of issuing such certificate. Income of a person whether he is a government servant, businessman, professional or coolie would definitely vary from time to time," the court observed.

The petition was filed questioning the correctness and legality of the order dated March 9, 2020, passed by the Karnataka State Administrative Tribunal, Belagavi Bench, which directed the Board to consider the case of Geetha Dattatreya Gokarn for appointment to the post of Secondary School Assistant Teacher under GM/Rural quota.

She moved the Tribunal as the Board on July 1, 2014 rejected her candidature as she failed to submit the creamy layer certificate obtained within the period prescribed under the recruitment notification dated April 2, 2012.

The court noted that the order passed by the Tribunal is erroneous as it failed to notice the general conditions or instructions contained in the notification inviting applications.

The court observed that the creamy layer certificate submitted by the applicant had expired as per the time prescribed under the Karnataka Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Other Backward Classes (Reservation of Appointments, Etc.) Rules, 1992. The appointing authority could not have given any credence to the certificate. "The certificate dated October 31, 2013, produced along with the representation, is a certificate obtained subsequent to preparation of the additional select list, that is, more than one-and-a-half years after the last date for submission of application and the same cannot be taken note for selection," the court added.

'Youth seek sustainable initiatives from aviation biz'

ENS @Bengaluru

BANGALORE International Airport Limited CEO and Managing Director Hari K Marar on Saturday said that the aviation sector must strive towards becoming both socially-inclusive and sustainable. Addressing a conference on aviation and aerospace, he elaborated that while the former is a result of India's diverse nature, the latter is because the younger generations are working towards holding corporations accountable.

The international virtual conference – the Future of Aviation and Aerospace 2022 (FoAA 2022) -- was hosted by the Indian Institute of Management-Bangalore on Saturday. Marar, along with Tata Singapore Airlines (Vistara) Chairman Bhaskar Bhat, and IIM-B Director Rishikesha T Krishnan, inaugurated it, with a focus on 'how the future of the aviation industry must work towards becoming environmentally sustainable and making positive developments'.

Bhat said, "The younger generations are starting to demand more and more responsible initiatives from corporations and that is something that needs to be kept in mind when discussing the industry, alongside the fact that it is not just a potential to make billions of dollars, but it also relies on the value that the customer or consumer ascribes to that service."

'CROWD WAS HUNGRY FOR BIG SPORTING EVENT'

Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai and cricket icon Kapil Dev catch the on-field action at the M Chinnaswamy Stadium in Bengaluru on Saturday | KPN

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"The longer format does not have such a response. But being a pink ball Test, day-night contest and a weekend added to the colour. The crowd was actually starved for a big-ticket sporting activity. Bengaluru wants to have live action and that's why they have thronged the stadium," said KSCA secretary Santosh Menon.

When the action unfurled, the pitch did not live up to the expectations with the ball turning from the first hour of play. Sixteen wickets fell on the opening day, which is the most for a day-night Test. "On this wicket, whoever defended the ball, they were nicking," Iyer said. "The wicket was not that great and the mindset was to come up with a positive batting display."

Meanwhile, a sixer from Rohit Sharma hit a 22-year-old youth, who was taken to hospital, and treated as an outpatient.

The autobiography of India legend, GR Viswanath, who hails from Karnataka, titled 'Wrist Assured' co-authored with senior journalist R Kaushik was launched late evening.

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Karnataka on Saturday registered 136 fresh Covid-19 cases and 2 fatalities, thereby taking the total till date to 39,43,642 and 40,018, respectively. There were 275 patients who got discharged taking the total number of recoveries to 39,00,963

TRACKING COVID-19

DURATION OF PANDEMIC
2 YEAR, 5 DAYS

CASES REPORTED
Today: **136** | Yesterday: **181**

TALLY
Today: **39,43,642**
Yesterday: **39,43,506**

DEATHS	DISCHARGES
Today: **2**	Today: **275**
Yesterday: **3**	Yesterday: **260**

ACTIVE CASES
Today: **2,622**
Yesterday: **2,764**

POSITIVITY RATE	MORTALITY RATE
Today: **6.06%**	Today: **1.01%**
Yesterday: **6.06%**	Yesterday: **1.01%**

RECOVERY RATE Today: **98.91%** Yesterday: **98.91%**

DISTRICT-WISE COVID CASES
LAST 24 HOURS

Bengaluru Urban	**87**
Bengaluru Rural	**0**
Bagalkot	0
Ballari	2
Belagavi	3
Bidar	0
Chamarajanagar	0
Chikkaballapur	2
Chikkamagaluru	1
Chitradurga	10
Dakshina Kannada	2
Davanagere	2
Dharwad	3
Gadag	0
Hassan	1
Haveri	0
Kalaburagi	5
Kodagu	0
Kolar	0
Koppal	0
Mandya	0
Mysuru	6
Raichur	0
Ramanagara	2
Shivamogga	1
Tumakuru	6
Udupi	0
Uttara Kannada	2
Vijayapura	0
Yadgir	1

'Synthetic biology for boosting immunity mechanism promising'

This delivery platform opens new possibilities for vaccines and therapeutics, feel experts

CHETANA BELAGERE @ Bengaluru

IF the 'Synthetic Biology' method, involving redesigning one's own blood cells and re-engineering them to act like nanobots inside the body to spot a disease and fight it, then it can create a promising new vehicle for vaccine delivery, feels Dr U S Vishal Rao, dean and researcher at HCG Cancer Institute and also member of the state Covid Task Force.

He said this in reference to physicists, chemists and immunologists at McMaster University in Canada teaming up to modify red blood cells to transport viral agents which can safely trigger the immune system to protect the body against SARS-CoV-2.

The new method, described in the journal PLOS ONE, is a unique approach to vaccination. Red blood cell membranes are embedded with SARS-CoV-2 spike proteins, which then form virus-like particles. "We take red blood cells and remove everything from the inside. We then attach spike proteins to their outside to mimic a coronavirus," explains graduate student Isabella Passos-Gastaldo, lead author of the paper.

> **Presently, what we know is that the vaccine delivery methods often cause drastic immune system reactions and have short-lived responses. The new research looks promising**
>
> Dr Sagar Bhattad, Consultant, Paediatric Immunology and Rheumatology, Aster CMI Hospital

Dr Vishal Rao explains that a similar method is used in cancer treatment where the blood cells are re-engineered and the cells can be trained in a biology lab to identify outside pathogens better and double the power to recognise them and fight them as soldiers.

The authors of the study found that current vaccine delivery methods often cause drastic immune system reactions and have short-lived responses. "This delivery platform opens new possibilities for vaccines and therapeutics," the researchers added.

According to Dr Vishal, in this kind of aspect of synthetic biology, the cells can be loaded with a large amount of viral proteins, but with very few side effects.

The researchers first reported this technique in 2020, when they modified red blood cells to deliver drugs throughout the body, which could then target infections or treat catastrophic diseases such as cancer or Alzheimer's. "This platform makes our own blood cells smart in many different ways," explains another author. "In this case it's a vaccine."

Speaking to TNSE, Dr Sagar Bhattad, Consultant, Paediatric Immunology and Rheumatology, Aster CMI Hospital, who termed the research as promising, said, "Presently, what we know is that the vaccine delivery methods often cause drastic immune system reactions and have short-lived responses. The new research looks promising. However, we still need to have enough data to understand its efficacy. If this works, the technology can be quickly adapted and used effectively. The technology can be quickly adapted to develop vaccines for variants or new viruses that may emerge in the future."

Dr Vishal says India is also looking towards investing more into research related to Synthetic Biology, not just for SARS-CoV2, but other chronic diseases too.

EUDCATION FOR ALL

Children hold placards highlighting the importance of education during the Covid-19 pandemic in Bengaluru on Saturday | VINOD KUMAR T

RAISING AWARENESS ON PRE-PREGNANCY CARE VITAL: DOCTOR

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DR Sylvia Karpagam, a public health doctor, says, "Health facilities, especially public health, have not recovered fully post Covid and there may be a rise in maternal mortality over the last 2.5 years. Efforts have to be made to strengthen such facilities, mainly large tertiary maternity hospitals which had been arbitrarily converted to secondary Covid facilities."

She explains that in many rural areas, deliveries are taking place in private hospitals which are known to under report. "Strengthening and making mandatory reporting by private hospitals would be a first step to ensure data is accurate and reliable," she adds.

Dr Hema Divakar, former head of Federation of Obstetrics and Gynecological Societies of India (FOGSI) and a technical expert with the Institute of Public Health, a Government of India initiative, says, "Karnataka is moving ahead with the vision that 'every mother and every baby counts'. Strengthening the healthcare systems and raising awareness on pre-pregnancy care will make a significant difference for better outcomes in the future."

Dr Soumya says that the state can achieve much more if it improves its efforts to provide early reach to pregnant mothers and their registration, regular antenatal checkups, nutrition, diagnostic methods, detection of high risk cases, timely intervention, transport facility, regular interaction with healthcare staff or ASHA workers and compulsory prenatal checkups, and ensure transfer to referral centres.

Fire breaks out at Metro construction site

Smoke billows from the Metro construction site near Shivajinagar in Bengaluru on Saturday. No one was injured in the incident | SHRIRAM BN

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AN accidental fire broke out at Bamboo Bazar near Shivajinagar on Saturday evening, gutting construction material at the Metro site. A massive cloud of smoke engulfed the area, panicking residents, who rushed out of their houses and alerted Fire and Emergency Services personnel.

Police said construction material at the storage area at the Metro site were destroyed in the fire. Rajesh M, a passerby, noticed the blaze and alerted the workers. Three fire tenders rushed to the spot.

The storage area also contained plywood, plastic used for partition and glue containers, which fanned the fire.

Though inflammable material overhead is suspected to have sparked the fire, a team of technical experts and police visited the scene to probe the actual cause.

Shivajinagar police have registered a case and are further investigating the matter.

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C. Mis. No. 63/2022
Petitioner: 1. Smt. Chikkahanumakka, W/o Late Doddrudraiah, aged about 7 years, R/at Heggunda Village, Sompura Hobli, Nelamangala Taluk, Bangalore rural district...PETITIONER
-V/s-
And: The Thasildar, (Registrar or Births and Deaths), Nelamangala Taluk...RESPONDENT
PUBLIC NOTICE
Whereas the petitioner above named has presented petition to this Hon'ble court under section 13(3) of Registration of Birth and Deaths Act 1969 for order direct the respondent authority to get enter the date of death 10th petitioner father by name **Doddarudraiah S/o Hosalaiah**, who died on **15-08-1997** at Honnagarigaishnapalya Village, Hegunda dakale, Sompura Hobli, Nelamangala Taluk Bangalore rural district. The Hon'ble court has fixed on **15-03-2022** for hearing of the petition and that if any person/s desire to oppose the said petition or claim or interest shall appear before the Hon'ble court in person or by pleader duly instructed at 11 AM failing which the said application will be heard and determined as exparte.
Given under my hand & the seal of the court on 04-03-2022.
By order of the Court, Chief Ministerial Officer, Court of the Civil Judge, Junior Division and JMFC Court, Nelamangala.
Advocate for Petitioner: **Sri Ramakrishnaiah** Subashnagara, Nelamangala-562123.

ಬೆಳಗಾವಿ ನಗರಾಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ಪ್ರಾಧಿಕಾರ, ಬೆಳಗಾವಿ
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ಸಾರ್ವಜನಿಕ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ
ಬೆಳಗಾವಿ ನಗರಾಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ಪ್ರಾಧಿಕಾರದಿಂದ ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ಪಡಿಸಿದ ವಿವಿಧ ಬಡಾವಣೆಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಹಾಗೂ ಖಾಸಗಿ ವಿನ್ಯಾಸದಲ್ಲಿಯ ನಾಗರೀಕ ಸೌಲಭ್ಯ ನಿವೇಶನಗಳು ಹಂಚಿಕೆಗಾಗಿ ಲಭ್ಯವಿರುತ್ತವೆ. ಸದರಿ ನಾಗರೀಕ ಸೌಲಭ್ಯ ನಿವೇಶನಗಳನ್ನು ವಿವಿಧ ಉದ್ದೇಶಗಳಿಗೆ ಮೀಸಲಿಟ್ಟಿದ್ದು, ನೋಂದಣಿಗಾಗಿ ಅರ್ಜಿ ನಮೂನೆ-1 ಮತ್ತು ನಮೂನೆ-2 ಗಳನ್ನು ಪ್ರಾಧಿಕಾರದ ಕಚೇರಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ರೂ. 500/- ಶುಲ್ಕ ಪಾವತಿಸಿ, ಪಡೆಯಬಹುದು. ಅರ್ಜಿಯನ್ನು ನಿಗಧಿತ ನಮೂನೆ-1 ಮತ್ತು 2 ರಲ್ಲಿನ ವಿವರಗಳನ್ನು ಭರ್ತಿ ಮಾಡಿ, ದಿನಾಂಕ: 14.03.2022 ರಿಂದ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 19.03.2022 ರ ಸಂಜೆ 5.00 ಘಂಟೆಯೊಳಗಾಗಿ ಬೆಳಗಾವಿ ನಗರಾಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ಪ್ರಾಧಿಕಾರದ ಕಚೇರಿಗೆ ಖುದ್ದಾಗಿ ಅಥವಾ ನೋಂದಣಿ ಅಂಚೆ ಮುಖಾಂತರ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಬಹುದು. ವಿವರವಾದ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆಯನ್ನು ಪ್ರಾಧಿಕಾರದ ನೋಟಿಸ್ ಬೋರ್ಡ್‌ಗೆ ಡಕಾಯಿಸಲಾಗಿರುತ್ತದೆ.
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ಈ ಮೂಲಕ ಸಾರ್ವಜನಿಕರಿಗೆ ತಿಳಿಯಪಡಿಸುವುದೇನೆಂದರೆ, ನನ್ನ ಕಕ್ಷಿದಾರರುಗಳಾದ ಶ್ರೀ ಹೆಚ್. ಲಂಕಪ್ಪ ಬಿನ್ ಮುದ್ದಹನುಮಯ್ಯ ಹನುಮಂತಪ್ಪ, ಶ್ರೀಮತಿ ಸಂಜಮ್ಮ ಕೋಂ ಶ್ರೀ ಹೆಚ್. ಲಂಕಪ್ಪ ಮತ್ತು ಶ್ರೀ ಲಾಜಮ್ ಬಿನ್ ಶ್ರೀ ದಾದುಸಾಬ್, ನೆಲಮಂಗಲ-562123, ಇವರುಗಳು ಈ ಕೆಳಗೆ ಪೆಡ್ಯೂಲ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ನಮೂದಿಸಿರುವ ಸ್ವತ್ತುಗಳನ್ನು ಅದರ ಮಾಲೀಕರು/ಹಕ್ಕುದಾರರುಗಳಾದ (1) ಶ್ರೀ ಎಂ.ಜಿ. ರಂಗಧಾಮಯ್ಯ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇ. ಸಿ. ಗಂಗಯ್ಯ, ನೆಲಮಂಗಲ ಮತ್ತು (2) ಲಕ್ಷ್ಮಿನರಸಿಂಹ ಸ್ವಾಮಿ ಹೌಸ್ ಬಿಲ್ಡಿಂಗ್ ಕೋ-ಆಪರೇಟಿವ್ ಸೊಸೈಟಿ ಲಿಮಿಟೆಡ್ ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರಾದ ಶ್ರೀ ಎಸ್. ಶಿವಪ್ಪ, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಇವರುಗಳಿಂದ ಶುದ್ಧ ಕ್ರಯಕ್ಕೆ ಪಡೆಯಲು ಅವೇಕ್ಷಿಸಿ, ಈ ಸಂಬಂಧ ಈಗಾಗಲೇ ಒಪ್ಪಂದಗಳನ್ನು ಮಾಡಿಕೊಂಡಿರುತ್ತಾರೆ. ಸದರಿ ಸ್ವತ್ತಿನ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಯಾವುದೇ ಸಂಘ-ಸಂಸ್ಥೆ/ಬ್ಯಾಂಕ್/ಕಂಪನಿ/ವ್ಯಕ್ತಿಗಳಿಂದ ಯಾವುದೇ ರೀತಿಯ ಹಕ್ಕು/ಹಿತಾಸಕ್ತಿ/ತಂಟೆ-ತಕರಾರುಗಳಿದ್ದಲ್ಲಿ ಅದನ್ನು ಈ ಕೆಳಕಂಡವರಲ್ಲಿ ಲಿಖಿತ ಮೂಲಕ ಸೂಕ್ತ ದಾಖಲಾತಿಗಳೊಂದಿಗೆ ಈ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆಯ ದಿನಾಂಕದಿಂದ 10 (ಹತ್ತು) ದಿವಸಗಳೊಳಗೆ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸತಕ್ಕದ್ದು. ಯಾವುದೇ ಕಾರಣಕ್ಕೂ ಈ ಅವಧಿ ಮೀರಿದ ನಂತರ ಬರುವ ತಕರಾರುಗಳಿಗೆ ಪುರಸ್ಕಾರವಿರುವುದಿಲ್ಲ. ನಿರ್ದಿಷ್ಟ ಅವಧಿ ಅನ್ಯಥಾ ಕೊಡದಿದ್ದಲ್ಲಿ, ನನ್ನ ಕಕ್ಷಿದಾರರು ತಮ್ಮ ಈ ಮೇಲಿನ ವ್ಯವಹಾರಗಳನ್ನು ಸೂಕ್ತಪತ್ರಗಳನ್ನು ನೋಂದಾಯಿಸಿಕೊಳ್ಳುವ/ದರೊಂದಿಗೆ ಮುಂದುವರಿಸುತ್ತಾರೆ. ನಂತರದ ಯಾವುದೇ ಕಾರಣದಿಂದ ಯಾವುದೇ ರೀತಿಯ ಆಕ್ಷೇಪಣೆ ಅಥವಾ ಹಕ್ಕುಗಳಿಗೆ ಅವಕಾಶವಿರುವುದಿಲ್ಲ.
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Category	UR	SC	ST	OBC	EWS	Total	PWD*				Ex. SM
							Category A	Category B	Category C	Category D & E	
No. of Vacancies	43	09	08	24	09	93	NIL	01	02#	01#	09

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The Closing Date for submission of Online Application through ESIC website **www.esic.nic.in** is **12.04.2022**.

Deputy Director (Rectt.)

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Public are informed that my clients/ **Mr.CHILAKALA NAGESWARA RAO, & 2. Mrs.CHILAKALA HYMAVATHI,** are entered into registered agreement of sale for the purchase of being Site bearing No.15, Portion of present BBMP Katha No.705, Comprised in Converted Sy.No.44/2, situated at Thubarahalli Village, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, measuring East to West40' and North to South 30'8" totally measuring 1226 Sq.feet along with RCC roofed residential building constructed thereon, and bounded on the
East by : Plot No.20
West by : 25 Feet Road
North by : 25 Feet Road
South by : Plot No.16
WITH Mr.V SANDEEP, aged about 38 years, S/o Mr.V.Yogananda Naidu, R/at No.11-58, NGO Colony, Puttur, Chittoor, Andhra Pradesh-517583.
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PUBLIC NOTICE
The Public are hereby informed that, my clients (1) SMT. M. MANJU, W/o Dilip Kumar, residing at No:29, 3rd B Street, IyyannaShetty Lay-out, Mysore Road, Bangalore - 560026, and (2) SMT. VIJAYA PRAKASH, Wife of Sri. G. N. Jaiprakash @ G. N. Prakash, residing at No:169, 1st Floor, 6th Cross, 1st N Block, Rajajinagar, Bangalore - 560010, have lost the original title documents in respect of the Schedule Property herein below, i.e., (1) Sale Deed dated 23.07.2004 vide Document No:RJN-1-02817/2004-07 of Book I and stored in CD No:RJND51 in the office of the Sub-registrar, Rajajinagar, Bangalore and (2) Sale Deed dated 21.04.2005 vide Document No:RJN-1-00448/2005-06 of Book I and stored in CD NO:RJND70 in the office of the Sub-registrar, Rajajinagar, Bangalore. It is requested to the General Public that any person/s finding the said documents may kindly handover the same to the undersigned at the below mentioned address.
SCHEDULE PROPERTY
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The Karnataka High Court on Saturday held that a candidate should obtain a certificate of reservation, prior to the last date of submitting an application for a job, as prescribed in the recruitment notification, and it should also be produced when sought

SUNDAY INTERVIEW

'Poll results a warning bell, but we are confident'

RAMU PATIL @Bengaluru

FORMER Karnataka Chief Minister and Opposition leader in the Karnataka Assembly, **Siddaramaiah**, says the results of the Assembly polls in five states will not have any impact on Karnataka elections early next year, though he sees them as warning bells for the party which is hoping to return to power after the 2023 polls in the state. Excerpts from an interview:

The results of the elections in one state will not impact another state and even the results of earlier elections in the state will not have any impact on upcoming elections

Siddaramaiah, opposition leader

Do you think the election results in the five states will have an impact on elections in Karnataka?
The results of the elections in one state will not impact another state and even the results of earlier elections in the state will not have any impact on upcoming elections. The BJP won in four states where they were in power and we were in power in Punjab. We should have won there, but lost due to our mistake.

Is it like a warning sign for the Congress?
I do agree it is like a warning. We have to correct the mistakes and move ahead. We will do that and there are no two ways about it.

After the election in five states, do you think the Congress needs to relook its strategy for the Karnataka Assembly polls?
We have still not discussed our strategy for Karnataka. We will all sit together and discuss it. However, look at the results of the local body and panchayat elections in our state. We are number one and the BJP is a distant second. That is why I am saying, we know the pulse of people, they will reject the BJP and give us an opportunity after the 2023 polls.

These results yet again proved that the BJP central leadership is strong and the party can overcome anti-incumbency. Your views?
Manmohan Singh became Prime Minister twice because of our strong leadership. Sonia Gandhi, who was party president then, is our party president now also. Winning and losing elections is part of democracy. You mean to say Atal Bihari Vajpayee and Lal Krishna Advani were not strong leaders? Why were the Jan Sangh and the BJP losing elections at that time?

How confident is Congress of winning the 2023 assembly elections? Will you be going on a state tour after the Assembly session?
In the 2023 Assembly elections in the state, people will bless us as they are recalling all our programmes now. Let us go before the people and they will decide. We will go before the people after the session.

The Congress here has to face the might of BJP central leadership...
The BJP may do anything, but ultimately, the people will decide and we are fully confident of winning the elections in Karnataka. The AAP won in Delhi and now in Punjab and we know what happened in West Bengal, Tamil Nadu, Kerala, Telangana and Andhra Pradesh.

Jal Shakti Minister Gajendra Singh Shekhawat recently said Karnataka and Tamil Nadu have to discuss and resolve the Mekedatu balancing reservoir project. What is the way forward?
The minister should not have made such a statement, as it indicates that they will not give permission and let states discuss it. There is no dispute at all and the Supreme Court, on February 16, 2018, decided on the quantum of water to be released to Tamil Nadu. We want to build the reservoir to utilise our surplus water after releasing Tamil Nadu's share of 177.75 tmcft in a normal year, as per the SC direction. Who are they (TN) to question the project? They are only entitled to ask for 177.75 tmcft, as decided by the SC. The Centre must give permission for the Mekedatu project. They are delaying it unnecessarily for political reasons.

'Every state different, we have strategy for each K'taka seat'

RAMU PATIL @Bengaluru

AFTER winning the Assembly elections in four of the five states, including the hotly contested Uttar Pradesh, the BJP central leadership will now focus on Karnataka ahead of Assembly elections early next year. Party national general secretary **C T Ravi** says the political conditions in each state will be different and, for Karnataka, they have a strategy for each constituency and will implement it. Excerpts:

How will the results of the five states impact Karnataka elections?
Based on these results, if we claim that we will 100 per cent win Karnataka elections, then it will only be a statement made out of enthusiasm. The political situation in each state will be different and it will also be different at different times. The situation today may change after six months. With our experience in Karnataka, and across the country, we will discuss the election strategy for Karnataka.

Will you have a state-specific strategy?
Yes, we have a strategy for every constituency in the state and we will implement it.

What were the major factors that worked for the BJP in four states?
We always keep in mind four factors — organisation, strong leadership, development works and election management. Strengthening the organisation includes various measures including appointing 'Page Pramukh' to making one person in charge of every 30 voters while we also encourage leadership from the booth level. Leadership will not come from designation or position, but by fighting for people and serving them. We have strong leadership at the central level and in the states. The third factor that worked for us is the good works done by our governments. For example, in Uttar Pradesh, Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana was discussed among people. In Goa, development works taken up by the government had created a positive atmosphere. Along with those factors, election management in terms of giving tickets and responsibilities to the right people and ensuring proper caste combination was also important. All these four factors helped us to get favourable results and it would not have been possible without any one of them.

You had earlier mentioned about the party's strengths and weaknesses in Karnataka. Can you elaborate?
We know what our strengths and weaknesses are and we will discuss them at the appropriate party forum.

There are speculations about major changes in the government and the party unit in the state. Is this true?
I can not say 'yes' or 'no' to it. If I am given the responsibility of national general secretary in the party, it is not permanent. Giving me charge of Goa, Maharashtra and Tamil Nadu is not permanent. I may be sent to another state, given another task. Nothing is permanent. The only thing that is permanent is that we all are party workers.

Compared to many other states, the Congress is strong in Karnataka, especially in terms of its organisation and its presence across the state. How do you look at it?
We cannot ignore any force and we cannot take anyone lightly. We have to take everything seriously.

Will the focus of the central leadership now shift to Karnataka after the elections in five states?
Yes, naturally it will happen. We always focus on strengthening the organisation in all the states and special focus will be given to elections.

Do you think early election in Karnataka, along with Gujarat polls later this year, is a possibility?
There is no need for it in Karnataka. It is a different matter if elections across the country are held at the same time. Having elections simultaneously will not help Gujarat or Karnataka.

The accusation is that BJP is planning to go to elections in Karnataka taking up religious issues. Your views?

We always talk about development issues. In Goa and Manipur, we only spoke about development issues and not any religious issue. In UP, we spoke about Garib Kalyan, law and order, green corridor, but the Samajwadi Party brought up the Jinnah issue. We always talk about development.

Cop suspended for FIR against Horatti

Dharwad: A police officer from Dharwad, who had registered an FIR against Legislative Council chairman Basavaraj Horatti of the JDS following a complaint, was suspended on Saturday. Shridar Satare, inspector of Rural police station, had registered the case. The matter was also raised in the ongoing Legislative Session, and Home Minister Araga Jnanendra had assured the house of taking action and investigating the matter. DG and IGP Praveen Sood issued the orders suspending Satare. **ENS**

Speculation rife over cabinet rejig

BANSY KALAPPA @Bengaluru

BUOYED by the success in the Assembly polls in four states, the BJP government in the state is all set to witness a cabinet reshuffle. This may happen after the legislative session concluded, sources said.

Sources in the BJP said some party office-bearers will be given ministerial positions, and some ministers may be relieved of their portfolios so that they can focus on strengthening the organisation. While there is no clarity on the ministers who may be dropped, there is unease among some of them regarding their performance.

The vexed issue of BJP state vice-president B Y Vijayendra's induction into the cabinet, which had been a hindrance to the reshuffle, seems to have been sorted out. It appears that he will be given the ticket to contest from Shikaripura, in place of his father B S Yediyurappa, and will be inducted into the cabinet after he wins, a source said.

Till he is inducted, Vijayendra's loyalists had demanded that he be made party president, but he may be made party general secretary with charge of Karnataka and deputed to work for the elections. This will also ensure that Yediyurappa too works for the success of the party, the source said.

The party leaders have been wary of Yediyurappa's participation, but they concede that they need him to reach out to people outside Bengaluru and in coastal areas. The party's setback in the Hangal bypolls and poor showing in the MLC elections recently have forced it to consider allowing greater participation for Yediyurappa.

NO PRE-POLL ALLIANCE WITH ANY PARTY: GOWDA

Bengaluru: Amid indications of bonhomie between the JDS and BJP, former Prime Minister and JDS patriarch H D Deve Gowda on Saturday ruled out any pre-poll alliance for the 2023 Assembly elections in the state. Instead, he said his party will field candidates against both the BJP and Congress. Talking to media persons at the party office here, Gowda said the JDS is not concerned about a few leaders quitting the party. "We will hold a convention on March 20 in Bengaluru to brainstorm on plans for the upcoming Assembly elections. Similar conventions will be held across the state," he added. Praising Prime Minister Narendra Modi for the overwhelming victory of the BJP in four of the five state Assembly elections, he said the PM's committed efforts to take the party in all directions of the country is worth emulating. "The results were all in favour of the BJP and one should accept the fact that the party cannot be snubbed now," he noted. Asked about the buzz that the state may go for snap polls, Gowda felt that it may take place. **ENS**

Ibrahim bids adieu to Cong, writes to Sonia

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AFTER months of speculation, Chand Mahal Ibrahim, former Union minister and Congress party MLC, resigned from the primary membership of the party and his MLC seat on Saturday.

Explaining the circumstances that led to his resignation in a letter to AICC interim president Sonia Gandhi, he stated that he was upset as the leader of opposition post in the Council went to BK Hariprasad, who is much junior to him.

"Being a senior leader in the party I could not speak to you or Rahul Gandhi directly and place the facts before you. My request had to be routed through in-charge general secretaries and it is well known to you how they respond, on which I do not want to elaborate," he explained in his rather brief letter of three paragraphs.

"I have sent my resignation to the MLC post and the letter addressed to Council Chairman Basavaraj Horatti has been submitted to KPCC president DK Shivakumar," he said.

He claimed to have sent a copy of the letter to Congress Legislature Party leader Siddaramaiah. Ibrahim had followed Siddaramaiah to Congress when the latter quit JDS 12 years ago.

He was made the MLC for the second term. The 73-year-old leader, who held the civil aviation portfolio in the HD Deve Gowda government at the Centre in 1997-98, is planning to join JDS. "I have no other condition to join the party except that it should maintain its secular credentials. I do not want Karnataka of sharanas to turn into Uttar Pradesh," he asserted.

He predicted that Congress will bite the dust like it did in 1995.

'IBRAHIM DID NOT DISCUSS WITH ME'

"Though there was a buzz about CM Ibrahim joining JDS for some months now, he has not discussed it with me yet. He was pained by the Congress' battering in the recent polls. Let us see how things pan out," said JDS patriarch and former prime minister HD Deve Gowda.

STATE ITINERARY

PM to visit Holaluru village on April 24

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"WE will launch several initiatives in the presence of Modi. Karnataka needs to be focused as this is the only state in South India where there is a presence of Congress," they added.

Modi, who is coming to the state after two years, will visit Holaluru village of Shivamogga district on April 24 and take part in the National Panchayat Day. Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Minister KS Eshwarppa, who is also from Shivamogga, said it was the Prime Minister's Office that chose Shivamogga.

"Karnataka is in the top place when it comes to Jalamrutha scheme (conservation of water) and also we have crossed 16 crore working days in MNREGA as against the target 13 crore working days. We are doing better in the Jal Jeevan mission," he said. Modi will also be virtually interacting with 2.5 lakh gram panchayat heads and local representatives across the country.

If not for politics, would have been a revolutionary: Moily

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"POWER politics is a temptation to which I submitted. If I had not become a politician, I would have become a revolutionary and I still have regrets about this," said Congress leader M Veerappa Moily on Saturday. The former Chief Minister and Union minister was speaking after the release of his autobiography 'Nanna Bogaseya Aakasha' (My handful of sky) at the Raveendra Kalakshetra here.

The 80-year-old listed his contributions to the state as chief minister, especially the Common Entrance Test (CET) for professional courses. "It is because of the suicide of a medical student, who could not afford the cost of the course, that the CET was conceptualised. When I visited Silicon Valley some years later, I happened to meet a peon's daughter from a Raichur village who turned out to be a noted doctor in the region," he said.

Former CM M Veerappa Moily hands a copy of his autobiography to his wife Malati, at Ravindra Kalakshetra in Bengaluru on Saturday | VINOD KUMAR T

Moily expressed gratitude to the people of Karnataka for helping him become chief minister. He said he felt indebted to his mother Poovamma and his wife Malathi who shaped his career.

Noted writer C N Ramachandran said the CET was one of the best contributions of Moily. "In his autobiography, he was honest to the core. He raised certain issues of successive governments at the Centre scrapping all the projects he had conceived as Union minister, including the setting up of the National Judicial Services Commission on the lines of the UPSC. Given the time and the cost involved, the governments scrapping them should be stopped by a law," Ramachandran quoted Moily from the book.

Former deputy chief minister Dr G Parameshwara said, "There may be many writers in the Kannada literary world, but Moily stands apart with his modern thinking. His concern for the downtrodden is reflected in his autobiography."

Cong should give youth a chance, says Shivakumar

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LAUNCHING an attack on the BJP, Karnataka Pradesh Congress Committee president D K Shivakumar said the agenda of the saffron party is to break society on the issue of temples, caste and religion.

"Do they have any developmental plans other than agendas like Article 370, cow slaughter and religious conversion? Have you implemented the Right to Education, schemes for food security and job security during the last seven years of rule?" he questioned during a state Youth Congress executive meeting here on Saturday.

After the results of the elections of five states were announced, it is being said that the Congress has collapsed and the number of party workers have shrunk. But remember that nothing in politics is permanent, he told the Youth Congress members.

Shivakumar said, "I have been talking to our leaders. Congress leader Rahul Gandhi should give the youth a chance. You must understand your value and power."

Taking potshots at the JDS, Shivakumar said the Congress formed the government with them to keep the BJP at bay. But when that power was gone, the JDS members started speaking against them.

EXPRESS READ

Now, govt records to be delivered at doorstep

Bengaluru/Chikkaballapur: Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai on Saturday said the State Government has worked out a novel programme to deliver government certificates and other documents to the doorstep of people. Launching the 'Revenue Record Doorstep' in Chikkaballapur, he said it is the poor who move around from office-to-office for minor documents and caste certificates among other, and face a lot of harassment. **ENS**

Boost for traditional sports, Mallakhamba in Khelo India

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FOR the first time, Mallakhamba (a traditional gymnastic sport) and Yoga will be included in the Khelo India University Games, which will be organised in Karnataka from April 24 to May 3.

The inter-university extravaganza is expected to be inaugurated by Prime Minister Narendra Modi. The office of Youth Empowerment and Sports Minister K C Narayana Gowda has been intimated about this.

Around 8,000 participants from across the country will take part in the event, which is almost double compared to the games held in Odisha in 2020. The logo for this year's event will be launched by Union Sports Minister Anurag Thakur in Bengaluru on March 27.

This time, the number of games has been increased from 17 to 23, including Mallakambha and Yoga. The event was supposed to be held in Karnataka in 2021, but was postponed due to the pandemic.

In Mallakhamba, participants perform aerial yoga postures and wrestling grips on a vertical wooden pole.

With its inclusion in Khelo India, this dying sport is expected to get its due national recognition. Khelo India was introduced to revive the sports culture in India at the grassroots. The event is expected to boost practitioners of indigenous sports like Mallakhamba.

Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister YS Jagan Mohan Reddy, during the state Cabinet meeting, told his ministerial colleagues that a reshuffle is imminent, announced Government Advisor (Public Affairs) Sajjala Ramakrishna Reddy. The Cabinet rejig will ensure that there will be representation from all the districts, sources said.

EDIBLE OIL PRICES SIMMER AS UKRAINE WAR RAGES ON

TEAM TNSE

FAR away from war-torn Ukraine, homes across Karnataka are bracing for the impact of the February 24 Russian invasion of that country. The common folks' household budget is affected due to a feared shortage of edible oil, as they try to stock up. Fuel prices may also go up, forcing people to look for mobility alternatives.

In fact, the possible impact can be gauged more from people's reaction to prices and supply of edible oil, especially the most commonly used sunflower oil, 70 per cent of which is imported from Ukraine and 20 per cent from Russia.

"I normally buy a five-litre can of oil, but now, since there are signs of availability being impacted, I have bought three such cans and hope that will last at least a year. The menu is also being thought of carefully. Frying of pakodas, poori and other items requiring oil is now being cut down," says Rekha B, a resident of Sarjapura.

A reality check across grocery stores in Davanagere and Chitradurga highlighted severe scarcity of sunflower oil. A person familiar with the trade said that major suppliers of edible oil in India are withdrawing stocks from the market while anticipating a hike in prices, due to which an artificial scarcity is being created.

The price of sunflower oil, which was Rs 141 per litre on February 24 — the day the war broke-out — is now Rs 186 in the wholesale market and Rs 195 in the retail market. Except the packaged oil from the co-operative Karnataka Oil Federation, no other brands of oils are available in the market. Groundnut oil, which was selling at Rs 160 per litre on February 23, is now sold at Rs 184 per litre. However, there is no change in the prices of the palmolein, coconut, olive oil and other cooking oils.

Those involved in oil repacking told The New Sunday Express that if the war continues for days on end, there will be severe scarcity of edible oil in the market and lead to an increase in palmolein oil imports from South-East Asian countries.

But there is a problem here too. D D Prahalad, Joint Secretary, Bengaluru Oils and Oil Seeds Association, says the cost of palmolein oil has increased because of reduced stocks in Malaysia and Indonesia. Both countries announced 25 per cent of palmolein oil to be used as biodiesel and prices have started to rise. He says prices of edible oils have been rising since the last one and half months, made worse now by the war.

Commercial Officer, Karnataka Oil Federation, Mahanandi, says, "The refineries which were supplying us the oil have informed us that there is no supply and once the contract ends, the supply will be stopped."

Shree Govind of Sangameshwara Store in Chitradurga, says, "One litre, two litre and five litre cans supplied by Karnataka Oil Federation are available, but 15-litre cans are not. We are selling one litre cans at Rs 195 per litre, that too having an MRP of Rs 210 on it. During Shivaratri, too, we sold oil at Rs 140 per litre, now prices have skyrocketed."

Although there is no visible panic among buyers in Manipal, Roopalatha, a homemaker, says it is giving a window for traders to hoard the commodity and then charge higher prices. "Officials should keep an eye on these aspects now before things go out of hand."

Food & Civil Supplies Department Joint Director Manteswamy says his department, along with Department of Legal Metrology, is keeping a close watch on edible oil sales in the market. "In case of complaints of hoarding, black-marketing or selling the product above the market price, we will initiate legal proceedings. We will ensure smooth sales of oil in the market," he says.

BIG PICTURE

FUEL PRICE FEARS

There is already a noticeable surge in motorists lining up at fuel stations.

Karnataka Petroleum Dealers' Association president Balaji Rao says the price of crude oil has already increased to $130 per barrel. "In the coming days, the price of petrol and diesel will rise by Rs 10-20 per litre, but it will not happen suddenly, it will be a gradual rise, like 60 paise and then Re 1 and so on. People are filling up their tanks and moving around, but the question is how long will that last. There is sufficient fuel as of now, and there is no need to worry. But when the prices go up, there will be no alternative."

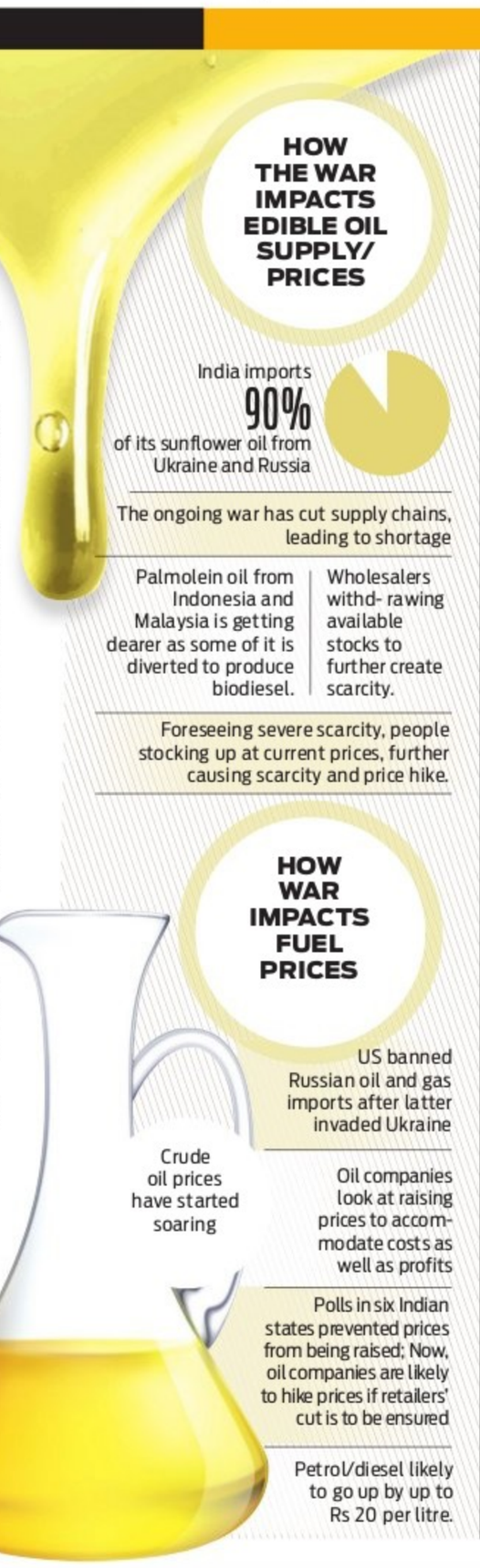
He says switching over to electric vehicles is not easy and cannot happen quickly. Also, public transport is not very good across the state, except in some urban centres, which makes it difficult for everyone to switch immediately.

But, even as Rao says the adverse impact will not be felt right away, people like Bheemappa Krishnamurthy, a resident of HSR Layout, have already started using alternatives. "I have started to use two or three modes of transport to reach my work place instead of usually riding or driving. I now take the Metro and then a bus to reach office which is after Baiyappanahalli Metro Station. But this alternative has also now started to pinch my pocket and I have already surpassed my monthly expenses for March," he rues.

Dakshina Kannada and Udupi District Petrol Vendors' Association president P Vaman Pai says so far, there is no impact on fuel prices. "We are expecting it to increase as Assembly polls in five states have ended. But, in India, we have sufficient stocks of fuel for at least a year. There are over 15 underground fuel storage facilities with a capacity of crores of metric tonnes, and even Russia is ready to help India in supplying fuel."

He says price of fuel will go up during weekends and may increase overall by just Rs 5.

(With inputs from Bosky Khanna in Bengaluru, G Subhash Chandra in Davanagere/Chitradurga, Mallikarjun Hiremath in Dharwad, Prakash Samaga in Udupi, Raghu Koppar in Gadag, Tushar Majukar in Belagavi, Divya Cutinho in Mangaluru, Mahesh Goudar in Bagalkot/ Vijayapura & Udaya Kumar B R on Hassan)


HOW THE WAR IMPACTS EDIBLE OIL SUPPLY/ PRICES
India imports 90% of its sunflower oil from Ukraine and Russia
The ongoing war has cut supply chains, leading to shortage
Palmolein oil from Indonesia and Malaysia is getting dearer as some of it is diverted to produce biodiesel.
Wholesalers withd- rawing available stocks to further create scarcity.
Foreseeing severe scarcity, people stocking up at current prices, further causing scarcity and price hike.
HOW WAR IMPACTS FUEL PRICES
US banned Russian oil and gas imports after latter invaded Ukraine
Crude oil prices have started soaring
Oil companies look at raising prices to accommodate costs as well as profits
Polls in six Indian states prevented prices from being raised; Now, oil companies are likely to hike prices if retailers' cut is to be ensured
Petrol/diesel likely to go up by up to Rs 20 per litre.

Communal clashes steered by political motives: Stalin

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Chennai

TAMIL Nadu Chief Minister **MK Stalin** on Saturday directed state police officers to avert communal clashes as they are being fomented with a political motive, and warned that malicious posts are being circulated on social media which is the principal reason for caste and communal clashes in the state.

In his concluding address at the conference of Collectors and senior police officers in Chennai, the CM accepted the contention of police officers that social media posts are triggering clashes in Tamil Nadu. "Though technology can be used for the good of the society, it is being used by some to whip up caste and communal tension. We should take immediate action against those who post such contents and entirely stop all malicious activities on social media," Stalin said. He also directed the officers to convene a separate meeting on social media issues and submit a report to the government.

He assured that the government will fulfil the demand of Thiruvallur SP for a new office for social media cases. Stalin also promised to consider the suggestion of Kanyakumari SP to set up special units in all districts akin to the one functioning in Coimbatore to prevent communal clashes.

Referring to the speech of Tirunelveli district SP about caste clashes, the CM said, "I request the police department not to see caste clashes as a mere law and order issue because it is a societal problem." Such issues emerge not only due to lack of education among youth but also because of unemployment. They should be identified and provided jobs, he added.

Civil case involving poets' kin settled after 53 years

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Mysuru

ONE of the longest civil disputes in the state involving relatives of Kannada poets N S Lakshminarayana Bhat and Gopalakrishna Adiga was settled in the Lok Adalat. The 53-year-old civil case was filed by four sisters against their five brothers claiming a share in the property.

Principal District and Sessions Judge ML Raghunath during the Lok Adalat organised by the District Legal Services Authority (DLSA) said that the brothers got an equal share in the family property, while the four sisters did not receive any. In the meantime, the brothers sold their share to others.

However, the daughters in 1969 filed a case claiming Rs 64 lakh that was in their mother's name. The brothers too approached the court demanding an equal share among the nine children from the mother's amount. The case also caught the attention of Supreme Court Justice UU Lalit, who is the executive chairman of National Legal Services Authority (NLSA).

Justice Lalit through video-conferencing heard the plea of one of the sisters who was in an ICU with an oxygen mask.

"The brothers who were demanding an equal share in their mother's money were asked to share the family properties with their sisters. Later, they backed off from their demand and the money was equally distributed to the petitioners' heirs," he said.

The civil case that ran for 53 years in various courts had 40 witnesses and 10 advocates. "NLSA contacted all the parties and advocates and based on the suggestions, the case was resolved," Justice Raghunath said.

CRIME PATROL

Guard opens fire in air, arrested

Bengaluru: The HAL police have arrested an ex-serviceman for reportedly opening fire in the air in an apartment on Friday night. The arrest was made following a complaint by one of the residents in Ananda Ram Reddy Layout. The accused Rajesh Kumar Pandey, who presently works as a security guard in a private firm, had organised a party at his residence and was playing loud music. Irked by this, Satish Reddy, a resident, asked Pandey to stop the music. An argument ensued. Pandey took out his pistol and opened fire in the air.

Youth held for peddling drugs

Bengaluru: Kengeri police on Saturday arrested a 22-year-old cloth merchant on charges of peddling drugs and sized 50 g of MDMA crystals from him. The accused, Faizan Ahmed Shariff, is a resident of Bapujinagar and was caught while he was waiting to sell the contraband to customers in Kodipalya in his high-end car. The police said that Shariff had purchased the car by selling drugs to college students and techies. He has been booked under various sections of the NDPS Act. Efforts are on to nab his associates.

Gang held for robbing bizman

Bengaluru: KG Halli police on Saturday arrested a gang of five persons, including a woman, on charges of robbing a businessman posing as police personnel. The accused are Natarajan, 50, from Vellore, Sadashiva Nayak, 42, from Chitradurga, and Shivraj, 32, Dileeban, 25 and Nirmala, 30, from Kolar. The accused lured Ramaswamy B, a businessman, to buy a second-hand container truck for Rs 8 lakh. He approached them with cash and they asked him to sit inside a car. Meanwhile, a couple of men intercepted the car posing as policemen, accused him of carrying out illegal transactions and assaulted him before escaping with the cash and car.

Tattoo artist faces 7 cases

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Kochi city police on Saturday received another complaint of sexual abuse from an European woman against tattoo artist Sujeesh PS, who is already facing six complaints of rape and sexual assault. The woman has accused Sujeesh of sexually abusing her when she went to get a tattoo done at his studio in Palarivattom in 2019, police said.

The complainant was in Kochi to pursue a short-duration course. One of her friends took her to the studio. As per details, she wanted to get a tattoo below her chest. Sujeesh allegedly misbehaved with her by touching her inappropriately during the tattoo session.

HC confirms externment order against rowdy

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The Karnataka High Court confirmed the order passed by the Bengaluru police directing rowdy sheeter Joshwa (29) of New Thippasandra to remove himself from the city for one year.

The city police passed the order after finding him to be an anti-social element with his movements or acts likely to cause alarm, danger or harm to person or property.

Justice Sreenivas Harish Kumar confirmed the order passed by Dr SD Sharanappa, the Special Executive Magistrate and DCP East Division, and dismissed the petition by Joshwa questioning the legality of the order dated September 20, 2021.

"The description of the cases found in the impugned order very clearly shows that the petitioner is involved in too many cases falling within the scope of clause (b) of Section 55 of the Karnataka Police Act. Argument of the petitioner's counsel that conviction of a person is necessary cannot be accepted. It is enough if his involvement is forthcoming. The petitioner is also a rowdy sheeter. Merely because the petitioner has some hardship to stay away from Bengaluru city limits, it cannot be a ground for interfering with the impugned order. When the order does not show any error being committed, there is no scope for interference in revision," the court said.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The general public are notified that the property prescribed herein below is subject matter of O.s. No-1789/2022, on the file of the City Civil Court at Bangalore. The suit is filed by my client Sri. Vikram. P Bhavikatte against **1. Smt. Asha Prasannakumar, 2. Sri. T.B. Dinesh, 3. Sri. Akshay P. Bavikatte, 4. Sri. Adarsh P Bavikatte, 5. MS Tumkur Veerasheva Co-operative Bank Ltd** and this is for kind notice for public at large.

SCHEDULE

All that piece & parcel of residential property bearing **No. 3354**, New No. 3354/210, PID No. 59-49-210, **BSK 2ND Stage, Bengalooru**, measuring East-West: 70 ft. & North-South: 50 ft., totally measuring **3500 sqft**, bounded on the:
East By : KR Road
West By : Property No. 3363 & Property No. 3364
North By : Property No. 3355
South By : Property No: 3353.

(A.S. LINGARAJU) Advocate,
office at # 818-W-1, II Main, IV Cross, Vittala Nagar, Chamarajpet, Bengalooru - 560 018

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client **Kavya. D/o Channakeshavaiah** W/o K.M.Shivaraj Kumar, R/at Koramangala Village, Vijayapura Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk, Bengalore rural district, trying to purchase from **Mehaboobi W/o Husain Firon,** R/at No.C/o. Vishwanath, 20th E Cross, Ejipura main Road, Viveknagara post, Bangalore-47, Mehaboobi is the owner of the land bearing Old Sy.No.420/1 New Sy.No.420/3 converted land Site No.33, Municipal Katha No.22779/420/3/33 measuring **East - West 30 feets, North to south 40 feets,** situated at, **22 ward, Budigere Road, 4th division, Devanahalli Town,** Total **1200 sq feet's,** Bounded on : **East by:** Site No. 17, **West by:** Site No.32, **North by :** 30 feet Road, **South by :** Site No.415. If any one has any claim / complaints / interest regarding the above deal, you are advised to contact me within **5 days** of this Public notice.

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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, MINISTRY OF FINANCE
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OFFICE OF THE TAX RECOVERY OFFICER 3,
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AUCTION SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY SITUATED AT AYANAVARAM

Notice is hereby given that the office of the undersigned has proposed to conduct an auction as per the provisions laid down in the 2nd Schedule of the Income tax Act, 1961 and sale of immovable property, which belongs to **M/s.Delta Projects (Partners of Shri. J. Annamalai & Smt.A.Priya Annapoorani) No.48/19,Rajamangalam Main Road, Villivakkam, Chennai - 600 049** being income tax defaulter for the purpose of recovery of income tax arrears.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTIES

"An apartment bearing Flat No. C-156 on the Fifteenth Floor in Block 'C' together car parking space in the basement of the multistoried building complex known as "SUNNNYVALE", No.351, K.H. Road, Ayanavaram, Chennai, Flat measuring on extent of 1599 Sq.ft (plinth area of flat inclusive of share in common area) together with 485.99 Sq.ft undivided share of land described in the schedule D above within the registration Sub district of Anna Nagar and Registration District of Central Chennai".

Reserve price In Rupees : Rs.95,99,000/- plus poundage fee & costs

E.M.D in Rupees : Rs.1,00,000/-

DATE AND TIME OF AUCTION
23.03.2022 @ 11.00 AM
VENUE OF AUCTION
Income Tax Auditorium (Vaigai Hall) in the Income Tax Main Building Campus, Aayakar Bhavan, 121, M.G. Road, Nungambakkam, Chennai - 600034.

CONDITIONS:
1. The intending bidders are requested to deposit **Rs.1,00,000/- (Rupees One Lakh Only)** as Earnest Money Deposit for the above property by means of Demand Draft in favour of 'Tax Recovery Officer-3, Income tax Dept., Chennai' drawn on any schedule bank payable at Chennai before the beginning of actual auction proceedings, which is refundable to the parties except successful. The successful bidder shall pay immediately after such declaration, deposit of 25 % on the amount of his purchase money to the officer conducting sale, and in default of such deposit the property shall forthwith be put up again and resold. The full amount of purchase money payable should be paid by the purchaser to the undersigned on or before 15th day from the date of sale of property, exclusive of such day, or if the 15th day being a Sunday or other holiday, then on first office day after the fifteenth day. In default of payment within the period mentioned above, the property shall be resold after issue of fresh proclamation of sale.
2. The Property will be auctioned on **"as is where is and what is there is basis".**
3. The details of the property and the copy of the Encumbrance Certificate can be perused at the office of the undersigned on any working day prior to auction, after fixing an appointment with the undersigned during office hours.
4. Detailed terms and conditions of the auction sale may be obtained from the office of the undersigned during office hours.
5. The aforesaid property will not be sold below the Reserve Price of **Rs.95,99,000/-**

(C.D.Vejayalakshme)
Tax Recovery Officer-3
O/o. Pr.Commissioner of Income Tax-3, Chennai.

Date: 21.02.2022
Place : Chennai

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The borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers in particular and the Public in general that the undersigned has **taken possession** of the properties mortgaged with the Company described herein below of the Columns on the respective dates mentioned in Column [E] in exercise of the powers conferred on him under Section 13[4] of the Act read with Rule 9 of the Rules made there under.
The borrowers in particular and the Public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the properties mentioned below and any such dealings will be subject to the charge of **M/s. Cholamandalam Investment And Finance Company Limited** for an amount mentioned in Column [D] along with interest and other charges.
Under section 13 [8] of the Securitisation Act, the borrowers can redeem the secured asset by payment of the entire outstanding including all costs, charges and expenses before notification of sale.

Sl. No.	Name And Address of Borrower & Loan Account Number [B]	Date of Demand Notice [C]	Outstanding Amount [D]	Date of Possession [E]
[A]				
1	**(Loan Account No. HE02ALO00000005753) 1) Revanna N,** No.12, Lokeshwari Nilaya, Hoskerehalli, BSK 3rd Stage, Mookambika Nagar, Bangalore South-560085, **2) Lokamma R,** #12, Lokeshwari Nilaya, Mokambika Nagara Hoskerehalli, BSK 3rd Stage, Bangalore South-560085, **3) M/s. Vandana Sugar Agency,** #12, Lokeshwari Nilaya, GF, Mokambika Nagara, Hoskerehalli 3rd Stage, Bangalore South-560085, **4) M/S. Jayashree Sugar Agency,** No.12, Lokeshwari Nilaya, GF Hoskerehalli BSK 3rd Stage, Bangalore South-560085.	30.12.2021	**Rs. 6,30,012/- as on 30-12-2021** and interest thereon.	10-03-2022
	DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY: All that piece and parcel of the Property bearing Khatha No.3/2/12A, Site.No.12A, Assessment No.3/2, Katha No.3/2, Situated at Hosakerehalli village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, New BBMP ward No.55, Presently comes under the limits of BBMP and bounded on: East by Site.No.19 West by 25 Feet Road North by Site.No.11 South by Site.No.12B Measuring East to west: 40ft.,and North to South:15ft., in total 600 sqft.			
2	**(Loan Account Nos.X0HEBAN00001762381 & X0HEPEY00003066518) 1) Varadaraju Naidu S,** No.31, 6thcross Near K S Palytechnic, Girls Hostel Javaraiah Garden, Bangalore South, Karnataka-560028, **2) Mahalakshmi V,** No.31, 6thcross Near K S Palytechnic, Girls Hostel Javaraiah Garden, Bangalore South, Karnataka-560028, **3) M/S. Sri Ganesh Enterprises,** No.31, 6thcross Near K S Palytechnic, Girls Hostel Javaraiah Garden, Bangalore South, Karnataka-560028.	31.12.2021	**Rs. 42,08,885.86 as on 31-12-2021** and interest thereon.	10-03-2022
	DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY: All that Piece and Parcel of property bearing Municipal No.36/2-15, Eastern Portion of property, Property no. 31/1. PID No.51/66/31/1 situated at: Yadiyur Nagasandra, Presently Thyagaraja nagar, Bangalore. Property within the limits of BBMP **and bounded on East by:** Property bearing No.14, **West by:** Property bearing Western portion, **North by:** Road and, **South by:** Property bearing No.28, **Measuring:** East to West 15ft and North to South 40 ft total measuring.			

Date: 13-03-2022 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place: Bangalore **M/s. Cholamandalam Investment and Finance Company Limited**

Making mistakes is a lot better than not doing anything

Billie Joe Armstrong

THE DECLINE AND FALL OF THE CONGRESS EMPIRE

RAW data doesn't quite care about sentiments. Few expected the Indian National Congress to make waves. Even so the 136-year-old party managed to make the expected stunning. The party's score at the end of the polls for five states stands 0-5. Its vote share in Uttar Pradesh, India's most populous state accounting for 80 Lok Sabha seats, stood at 2.33 per cent. It won two seats and none in the so-called family boroughs of Amethi and Rae Bareli. Even if one adds up the 2017 tally, the numbers fall short of double digits. Indeed, the sum total of the Congress tally in Uttar Pradesh for the last three decades doesn't make the halfway mark.

It wasn't much better in the four other states. In Punjab, the party invested its claims on the Dalit card — the sitting CM Charanjit Singh Channi lost in both seats he contested in. Both the party and Harish Rawat, the CM hopeful who the party refused to project, were trounced in Uttarakhand. In Manipur, the Congress helped the BJP get elected on its own. In Goa, its post poll hopes on the sum of pieces alliance was shattered to pieces. Again, the results don't seem surprising and yet the granular details are shocking.

Congress, it seems, is scripting a textbook on how not to fight elections. In 2021 in West Bengal, it aligned with the Left Front and scored a spectacular duck in the company of Communist cousins and its vote share plummeted to 2.9 per cent. And in Kerala, it fought against the very same front and enabled the re-election of the Pinarayi Vijayan-led CPI (M) government breaking the tradition of decades. It signed up with rank opportunists and allowed the BJP to return to power in Assam. It lost Puducherry in a series of blunders to the breakaway N R Congress and hung on to the tail of DMK in Tamil Nadu.

THE THIRD EYE

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Defeats tend to form a pattern and set up decimation. The Congress party has been shut out of states for decades — Tamil Nadu for 55 years, West Bengal for 45 years, Uttar Pradesh and Bihar for over 30 years, Odisha and Gujarat for over 25 years and so on. In the recent past, voters have ousted it as soon as they found a viable alternative front to represent their cause and address their linguistic and cultural grievances — in Telangana, in Andhra Pradesh, in Delhi and most recently in Punjab where the ARvind Kejriwal-led Aam Aadmi Party decimated it spectacularly.

In January 2013, the Congress initiated a succession plan anointing Rahul Gandhi as the vice-president at a jamboree in Jaipur. The insolence of presumption was manifest in the appointment of a person with little or no administrative experience to head the grand old party. The consequences are visible. Since then, the party worsened its record in successive Lok Sabha polls and lost more elections than it has won. Every defeat has been followed by promises of introspection — the findings of the 2014 Antony Committee report are yet unknown. Indeed, introspection has assumed the characteristics of an archaeological dig.

There is the issue of calibre, of organisational leadership and then there is the question of what the party represents or what it stands for. It campaigned on the plank of Nyay in 2019 but struggled to get states it is in power to implement it in full or even in part. It promoted the idea of reserving one-third of government jobs for women but flailed at executing it in Punjab, Chhattisgarh or Rajasthan. At best, the party's articulation mirrors the sentiments of NGOs and at worst, it represents a house in disorder.

There is no dearth of literature the party can consult from to understand what afflicts it. In 1936 at the Lucknow session, Jawaharlal Nehru had said "We have largely lost touch with the masses and, deprived of the life-giving energy that flows from them, we dry up and weaken and our organisation shrinks and loses the power it had."

Fifty years later, in 1985 his grandson Rajiv Gandhi, speaking at the Centenary Session in Mumbai, observed "Millions of ordinary Congress workers throughout the country are full of enthusiasm for the Congress policies and programmes. But they are handicapped, for on their backs ride the brokers of power and influence, who dispense patronage to convert a mass movement into a feudal oligarchy."

The words ring true in 2022. The party and its leaders have come to believe that while in the Opposition, they need only to make guest appearances and play a cameo role for issuing statements which derive headlines. Party and politics have been rendered into part-time CSR activities! The Congress is the principal opposition in states accounting for over 180 Lok Sabha seats yet it is virtually invisible and surfaces, if at all, for air on Twitter. When the Group of 23 or G-23 as they have come to be known argued for elections and reorganisation, the signatories were branded in private and mocked on social media as stooges of the ruling front. The promise of organisational polls and inner party democracy are fading as the party embraces irrelevance.

Edward Gibbon, author of the seminal '*History of the Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire*', observed that the Roman era's declension (decline) was one where "bizarreness masqueraded as creativity". In the Congress, the bizarreness is pedigreed entitlement masquerading as experience and expertise.

India's democracy needs competitive politics of ideas and argument, full-time engagement on issues not just tweet storms of slogans. The Congress must exit the delusion that it is the fall-back option — that one day it will be back in power. Voters are already looking elsewhere.

YOGI: THE VICTORY OF COMMUNALISM

POINT OF VIEW

T J S GEORGE

RELIGION sells. In most parts of the world, mixing politics with religion is recognised as an unwholesome practice. But in India, it is an accepted routine. Parties and individuals seeking votes in the name of religion is the rule in our country. In Uttar Pradesh, it is the sum total of everything. Openly and unashamedly, religion is used as a political tool.

The intensity of religious politics can only grow with Yogi Adityanath's spectacular victory in the latest election, "saffron tsunami" as media geniuses called it. Akhilesh Yadav's Samajwadi Party became an also-ran; the speed with which Mayawati's Bahujan Samaj Party went past its use-by date carried its own message. The Congress seems to have lost its address.

For Yogi, victory is sweeter because it is the victory of a chief minister in office. He will now be stronger in his conviction that religion's place in politics is legitimate, and that religion and money and power should all be intermingled. His strong-arm tactics also get a boost with this victory. After all, this is the Yogi who began his public activities with the formation of the Hindu Yuva Vahini, a rough-and-ready outfit to enforce his ways.

As head of Government, he took steps to close down slaughter houses. Bulldozers were used to raze buildings considered illegal, and protestors against the Citizenship Amendment Bill were beaten back ruthlessly. He attacked earlier governments for allowing power cuts during Diwali, while keeping things functioning during Eid. He proclaimed his policy positions with no attempt to be diplomatic. In 2005, he led a purification drive called Ghar Wapasi, welcoming many "back to Hinduism".

For all his sanyasi persona and saffron clothes, Adityanath was always a tough operator. He has faced charges ranging from attempt to murder to defiling places of worship, from rioting with deadly weapons to criminal intimidation. The Caravan, a magazine never given to sensationalism, once carried an article on him. The title was '*Priest of Violence: Adityanath's reign of terror*.' Among other things, it quoted the Yogi as saying: "In future, if a Hindu's blood is shed, we will not get the administration to lodge an FIR. Instead, we will ensure that we kill at least ten in return. The crowd erupted in cheers."

Why should citizens — all citizens — be careful about this Yogi? His narrow partisanship is not the only reason, although it is a powerful reason. More disturbing is his ideological ambition to change the very texture of India. Once he initiated a parliamentary move to change the name 'India', arguing that 'Bharat' was enough. He had introduced bills seeking the introduction of the phrase 'Bharat that is Hindustan.' He sought the Supreme Court's approval for that proposal, but the Court thought otherwise.

The tone and temper of Uttar Pradesh, in many ways the most prominent state in India, have changed under this activist Yogi. What was once a vibrant stamping ground of great leaders like Gobind Ballabh Pant and Rafi Ahmed Kidwai has been turned into a benighted field where religious prejudices govern everything. The real tragedy is that the Yogi and his fellow Hindutva zealots cannot see the difference between what UP was once and what it is today.

As Chief Minister, has Adityanath been making the lives of Muslims miserable? Did his powerful speeches lead to the burning of Muslim-owned buildings and businesses? Is it his government's policy to show that minorities are lesser citizens?

The man honestly believes that he has taken UP to the peaks of glory. "There is strong pro-incumbency sentiment in favour of my government," he said. That may be true in the land of political weirdos such as Mayawati. (Where are those massive statues of herself she got installed in her state when she was in power? What a torment that woman was!) Yogi's own "achievement" is clear: He has taken the state of UP to be depths of communalism.

The show of strength in UP is bound to make Adityanath more ambitious. He will surely see himself now as the legitimate successor to Narendra Modi in Delhi. After all, he became MP at 26 and has been in seats of power ever since. Whether that will create internal tussles in the party is for the BJP's elder leaders to sort out.

But the questions raised by Caravan will have to be faced one way or another. As Chief Minister, has Adityanath been making the lives of Muslims miserable? Did his powerful speeches lead to the burning of Muslim-owned buildings and businesses? Is it his government's policy to show that minorities are lesser citizens? Major government programmes are under way to publicise — and glorify — the Chief Minister. These include big portraits to be posted in public spaces and collectibles like nice buttons, displaying the face of the "*Karmayogi Sanyasi.*" For beautiful buttons, go to the Yogi Government. For *Karmayogi* and for *Sanyasi*, look elsewhere.

OPPOSITION MUST DISCOVER A BETTER MODI TO CHECKMATE NAMO

POWER & POLITICS

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ELECTIONS are theatre, full of sound and fury, signifying only one thing — power. Actors change the script by replacing the narrative. The plot thickens. Suspense ratchets up. Heroes become villains. Clowns become lead actors. Heroines with top billing flop. Last Monday, once the last line was delivered, the final blow struck and received, the villains decimated and the curtains came down, all that remained to be made was the final denouement. And it was made in a manner that conveyed the four pillars of the current democratic edifice.

- Narendra Modi is peerless.
- The Gandhis have overstayed their welcome.
- Arvind Kejriwal is the calculated surprise.
- There is nothing as national as regional.

BJP'S TRIPLE WHAMMY TRIUMPH

The triple whammy of Modi, Jai Sri Ram and BJP are the new symbols of national pride. BJP's writ runs, alone and with allies, in 18 states. Unlike the Congress, its second tier leadership has risen as future force. Previously, the Vajpayee-Advani duo ran the party for over two decades with the latter rebuilding the outfit from scratch and creating a powerful succession line of which Modi was one. BJP is the new icon factory. **Yogi Adityanath**, who led it to an overwhelming record breaking second term, has joined the national vanguard. The saffron system has a clear advantage over the leadership-starved Opposition. Modi is a pan India mass commander with a singular vision of his own. And Yogi is a unique leader with a committed mass following, his mission imbued with customised colours. After Modi, he is the most sought after leader, adored not only by party cadres but even by non-partisan lower and middle class families who see him as a firm administrator.

In addition to Modi and Yogi, Amit Shah has established himself as the architect of a cohesive organisation and connector to the entire BJP rank and file. It is after a gap of almost two decades that the BJP has a strict general like Shah who moulds party men in line for keeping organisational deadlines. For the past seven years, no party worker, Union minister or state satrap could bask in luxurious social networking. In a constant state of ground alert, Shah keeps the party always in fighting mode. Work for the next election begins as soon as the results of the previous poll came in.

The fourth consecutive victory in UP (Lok Sabha and Assembly), India's largest state, bolsters the troika's infallibility within and outside BJP. The Modi wave swept the state in 2014, followed by an unprecedented Assembly triumph in 2017 and again in 2019 with 62 parliamentary seats. The final blow to its adversaries is delivered in 2022. Undoubtedly, the party has the largest number of MPs and MLAs. But with 1,340 MLAs out of national total of about 4,100 MLAs, the BJP has a long way to go to break the Congress' record of 1980s. It decimated the Congress but hasn't posted much remarkable success against regional parties in South, West and Bengal. As more and more powerful local leaders emerge, the BJP may find dislodging them difficult. Therefore, getting a Rajya Sabha majority sufficient enough to amend the Constitution for the implementation of many pending ideas is being hindered. Moreover, Mandate 2022 shouldn't be seen as an indicator for 2024 since the general election would be fought on national issues. The outcome will also depend on the extent and nature of Opposition unity two years from now.

BUSTING THE GANDHI MYTH, AGAIN

In the cracked mirror of a dysfunctional dynasty, the Gandhi Parivar has no beauty left to lose. Its century-old control of the Congress is crumbling. Gandhi scions are symbolically conspicuous by their glamorous but empty presence at election rallies and roadshows. They get eyeballs but not votes. Sonia Gandhi brought the Congress to power for two consecutive terms by forging alliances with other parties. Though she wasn't a mass leader, she united both Congress and the Opposition. But her children cannot connect with the party or the voters. They don't have their grandmother's aura either. The Congress is the main Opposition in over a dozen states and the BJP's rival in around 200 Lok Sabha constituencies. But it has been reduced to an idea whose expiry date is yet to come. Its performance has proved Vajpayee's prophesy correct. Replying to no confidence motion in 1999, Vajpayee foretold that the Congress may be laughing at the BJP now but a day will come when the BJP will rule all of India and the nation will be laughing at the Congress' fate. The Congress needs a new *chehra* (face), *chaal* (demeanour) and *chalan* (character). The Gandhis may claim ownership, but if the management isn't handed over to credible and popular leaders, India will become Congress-*mukt* earlier than Modi anticipates.

MARGINALISATION OF DYNASTY DOMINATION

Minimisation of the Maximum Dynasty is the larger lesson of the election results. Modi has been hammering at *Parivarwad* over the last seven years. The defeat of the Badal clan in Punjab signals the growing trend of voters rejecting family rule in North India. For the first time in his six-decade career, Prakash Singh Badal lost election. So did his designated successor and son **Sukhbir Singh Badal**. Akhilesh Yadav retained his political base only by breaking ranks with the bigger Yadav *parivar*. His survival is predominantly linked with Muslim-Yadav vote bank. He hasn't been reduced to a cipher like Mayawati, who has now joined the ranks of leaders who rose nemesis-like on a caste wind but evaporated like the morning mist. In the South, Jagan Reddy and MK Stalin have carved out legitimate niches as regional alternatives whereas the BJP is not even a remote threat.

THE STAR TO WATCH

As the big boys played and family feudatories faded, an outlier leader has set the tone for an alternate national narrative. **Arvind Kejriwal**'s AAP took Punjab by storm, winning three fourths of the 117 seats. For the first time, Punjab has almost wiped out the religious and political chasm between Sikhs and non-Sikhs by voting to power a party led by a Hindu leader from Delhi with hardly any roots in Punjab. Kejriwal has achieved what the BJP could or should have done but failed to do. For the second time, his decade-old party reduced national and regional parties to dust. His governance model was frustrated in Delhi because his Sarkar doesn't enjoy the power of a fully fledged state. Now with Punjab governed by protégé Bhagwant Mann, Kejriwal has a chance to showcase his administrative architecture. AAP is India's second largest party in terms of number of MLAs. Since Punjab voted for change, expect AAP to work overtime to deliver on its promises. If Udta Punjab changes into a state on the move from a failed state, Kejriwal could be a major challenger to Indraprastha's throne in the long run.

Long term is quite long in terms of political distance. The current Assembly results may push all non-BJP parties to forge a feasible and credible formation tough enough to try checkmate Modi in 2024. Mamata Banerjee, KCR, Udhav Thackeray and MK Stalin are refashioning Opposition unity. Stalin's Social Justice Front could offer an ideological alternative that ensures social and economic equality. As income inequalities grow, unemployment, inflation, lack of affordable healthcare and housing will become the major ballot issues. Modi and BJP will be forced to reengineer themselves to formulate better social welfare schemes. Personality driven politics has a shelf life. As Modi, the political alchemist continues to convert his charisma into electoral gold, the Opposition can dislodge him only by offering an alternative Modi better than him.

QUOTE CORNER

I want to say this once again to Russian mothers, especially mothers of conscripts. Don't send your children to war in a foreign country. ... Ukraine never wanted this terrible war. And Ukraine doesn't want it. But it will defend itself as much as necessary

Volodymyr Zelensky, Ukranian president

As to the delivery of arms, especially Western-made ones which have fallen into the hands of the Russian army – of course, I support the possibility of giving these to the military units of the Lugansk and Donetsk people's republics

Vladimir Putin, Russian president

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Not the first such evacuation

This has reference to 'Operation Ganga & The emergence of civis indicus sum'.(March 12) The citizenship becomes meaningful only when the country is able to protect its citizens stranded in any part of the globe. A good beginning was done by Sushma Swaraj. Operation Ganga is very successful in evacuating Indian citizens, while bigger nations in the world are not able or lethargic in evacuating its citizens to safe places. Nevertheless, this is not our maiden success as we have done a massive evacuation in Kuwait earlier.

Dharmarajan AK, Thalassery

Congress needs revival

The grand old party seems on its way to the dustbin of history. Defeat after defeat in general elections and states fail to impress upon the bigwigs (read the Nehru-Gandhi family) to introspect as to why the party is no more the darling of the masses. Understandably, some of the disillusioned oldtimers has red flagged the first family, who refuse to let go of their monopoly over the party. The family must realise that it lacks leaders like Pandit Nehru and Indira Gandhi who had mass following and connect with grassroots workers. It is time the Congress did an aggressive surgery to come out of living in the past glory by disconnecting the umbilical cord with the Nehru-Gandhi family.

Dr George Jacob, Kochi

Misplaced Kerala budget

Be it on paper or on iPad , the outcomes of all budgets are same. They are not touching the key area of concern – expenditures. The main expenditure is excessive salaries and pensions . Nobody is talking about it as they know the expected backlashes from the beneficiaries. One can avoid realities but can't avoid the consequences of avoiding them. Budget is just like an election manifesto as long as the government can't achieve the objectives in a way it was planned. Before presenting the budget, evaluation of previous year budgets with actual performance should be published. At least the opposition should prepare it. Only this will make the government accountable and responsible.

Girish R Edathitta, Pathanamthitta

Kudos to our voters

The BJP's latest electoral triumphs depicted the exemplary courage shown by people, especially women, through voting for the development in the teeth of malicious propaganda against PM Modi. The people have thrown down their gauntlet to all anti-social elements to behave well in the future, thereby displaying their commitment to vibrant democracy which is essentially needed for the survival of a heterogeneous country like India. The elites should take a leaf out of their book in order to strengthen democracy in the long run. Strong will, firm and courage can establish a genuine democracy so that Indians may begin to lead a civilised life with more dignity than they ever had.

R Pichumani, Kumbakonam

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TWEETS OF THE DAY

Shivraj Singh Chouhan @ChouhanShivraj
The Government of India is giving the money of schemes to the citizens. If anyone messes up in this, he will not be spared at any cost.

Randeep Singh Surjewala @rssurjewala
Income of 84% of people of the country decreased. Is it right to attack savings of crores of employees on basis of electoral victory?

Aaditya Thackeray @AUThackeray
An inter departmental committee was formed to ensure that the contradictions & doubts are removed & work begins for a clean, safe river.

ASSEMBLY ELECTION 2022 DECIDE

Defeat puts question mark over Rawat

Dehradun: With Harish Rawat losing another Assembly election, the political career of the senior Congress leader is at stake. People are saying that since the party has done better than 2017, this must be used to create and promote a second line of state leaders for future battles. Rawat was defeated by the BJP candidate in the Lalkuwa seat by more than 17,500 votes. In the 2017 elections, he had contested from two seats and suffered defeats in both of them.

SP MLA booked for pro-Pakistan slogan

Siddharthnagar (UP): An FIR has been registered against 15 persons including newly-elected SP MLA from Domariyaganj, Sayeda Khatoon, after a video of her supporters allegedly raising pro-Pakistan slogans during her victory procession went viral on social media. The SP MLA has clarified that she was not present at the spot when the incident took place and also demanded a probe into the authenticity of the video doing the rounds.

Grand success on home turf boost for Yogi's image

BJP won 27 of 28 seats in Gorakhpur division riding perfect calculation & hard work of CM

NAMITA BAJPAI @ Lucknow

HIGH on the charisma of Yogi Adityanath, BJP registered an emphatic win his bastion, bagging 27 of the 28 seats spread across four districts of the Gorakhpur division. The districts are Gorakhpur, Kushinagar, Maharajganj and Deoria.

While the saffron brigade swept all nine seats in Gorakhpur, seven in Kushinagar and seven in Deoria, it failed to make a clean sweep in Maharajganj, where it won four od five. The seat of Pharenda was won by Virendra Chaudhury of Congress.

The boatmen community has dominance in several pockets in this belt. Alliance with Nirbal Indian Shoshit Hamara Aam Dal led by Sanjay Nishad added to BJP's strength and stopped SP and BSP from making inroads. After the fourth phase on February 23, Adityanath camped in Gorakhpur to boost BJP's prospects in the region, as his own prestige was at stake. He himself made Assembly poll debut by contesting from Gorakhpur Urban and won by over 1.20 lakh votes.

Along with roadshows, he addressed a series of public meetings and highlighted development projects launched by the BJP government. Adityanath raked up issues like opposition parties fielding mafias, exploitation of weaker sections under SP and BSP governments, erratic power supply and swindling of development funds. Hindu Yuva Vahini, a fringe right wing organisation set up by Adityanath in 2002, was reactivated after five years.

In 2017, the BJP had won eight of the nine seats in Gorakhpur district. Chillupar was won by BSP's Vinay Shankar Tiwari, son of former muscleman Hari Shankar Tiwari. This time, BJP created history by winning the prestigious Chillupar seat. Tiwari had secured victory from Chillupar in six consecutive Assembly elections. His son Vinay Shankar won the seat in 2012 and 2017 as a BSP candidate. BJP's Rajesh Tripathi defeated Vinay Shankar this time.

As per political analysts, BJP's massive victory in Gorakhpur region has added to the strength and stature of Adityanath. After becoming CM in 2017, he worked for the development of the backward region by launching a slew of development projects. He also started welfare schemes for marginalised communities like Tharus, Vantongiyas and Musahars in four districts of the region.

Statement made

By making a clean sweep in the region he comes from, Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath has enhanced his strength and stature

Creating jobs our priority: Biren Singh

PRASANTA MAZUMDAR @ Guwahati

MANIPUR Chief Minister (until at least the new cabinet is formed) N Biren Singh is not surprised that his party, BJP, has managed to retain power. He said Prime Minister Narendra Modi's mantra of inclusiveness was received well by the people. Among other things, he said that the new government will focus on creating job opportunities for the youth.

Did you expect BJP to win this many (32 of 60) seats?
Yes. In fact, our party's focus was on winning a minimum of 40 of the 60 seats.

Why do you think people reposed their faith in BJP?

Prime Minister Narendra Modi's mantra of "*sabka saath, sabka vikas, sabka vishwas* and *sabka prayas*" did wonders for us. It was the driving force for all of us in the BJP. With it, we could reach out to people all over the state. Then, the constant guidance of our central leaders including Prime Minister Modi ji, Home Minister Amit Shah ji and party president JP Nadda ji also helped us a lot. Secondly, the BJP has always valued transparency in itsactivities.

Who are those BJP is aligning with?
We will maintain coalition dharma as desired by our central leadership. We will go along with like-minded parties (Naga People's Front is a BJP ally and constituent in state's BJP-led coalition government). I don't think the NPP (National People's Party) will be a part of the government.

Is it you who is going to be the Chief Minister?
Our party went to elections in five states and it had no Chief Minister face in any of those. BJP has a democratic set-up and I am a party worker. The central leaders will decide who the next Chief Minister candidate will be.

What will be BJP's priority areas after the formation of next government?
Creating jobs will be certainly on top of our priority list. The BJP will also focus on speeding up developmental projects in the valley as well as in the hill areas of the state.

(*N Biren Singh had answered these questions from the media on Thursday — the day election results were declared*)

WIN IN PUNJAB, JOY IN SHIMLA

AAP supporters take out a procession in Shimla on Saturday to celebrate the party's victory in the Punjab Assembly polls | PTI

BJP weighing Manipur CM options, three names in fray

PRASANTA MAZUMDAR @ Guwahati

AFTER the emphatic victory in Manipur, BJP is taking time to stake claim for government formation. Suspense surrounding the next chief minister continues. The names of N Biren Singh, who led the government for five years, Thongam Biswajit and Konthoujam Govindas are doing the rounds.

Singh met Governor La Ganesan on Friday and tendered his resignation as per procedure but did not stake claim to form the government. Manipur BJP president A Sharda Devi said the party's parliamentary board would decide on the next CM in consultation with the state unit.

Sources close to Singh said there is no reason why he would not be asked to head the next government. "He established peace and ensured all-round development. As there was no disparity, the hills and the valley had their equal share of development," a source said.

Secondly, the source added, it was under Singh that BJP bettered its 2017 performance and secured majority. By winning 32 of 60 seats, BJP became the second party after Congress to get majority in an Assembly election in Manipur. Congress had bagged 42 in 2012.

Biswajit was in contention for the CM's post in 2017 but BJP's central leadership placated him by giving five key portfolios to him. He was with Trinamool Congress earlier and joined BJP in 2016.

Govindas is virtually new in BJP. He joined the party last August when he was serving as the state Congress chief. He is a seven-time MLA who has never lost an election.

Assam CM praise for Thongam Biswajit

Speaking at a function, BJP heavyweight and Assam Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma had spoken highly of Thongam Biswajit. "He came from TMC and contributed immensely to BJP's massive growth in Manipur. We must acknowledge it," Sarma had said. A student of Kolkata's Ramkrishna Mission school, Biswajit is well accepted by many

Five clean sweeps silver linings in defeat for SP

NAMITA BAJPAI @ Lucknow

SAMAJWADI Party (SP) might have not succeeded in sending Yogi Adityanath back to his 'Mutth' in Gorakhpur, but the party led by **Akhilesh Yadav** put up an exemplary performance in at least five districts. It made a clean sweep of 28 seats across four districts in eastern UP and one in western UP.

The eastern UP districts where SP scored 100% are Ambedkarnagar with five constituencies, Kaushambi with three, Ghazipur with seven, Azamgarh with 10 and Shamli with three seats in west. On the other hand, BJP made a clean sweep in 23 districts across UP.

While better coordination between candidates and the party organisation helped SP in five districts, BJP's organisation was found missing in these districts which cost the party. In 2017, BJP had won 13 of these 28 seats and this time, it drew a blank.

In Azamgarh, considered to be the turf of Akhilesh Yadav with a dominance of Muslim and Yadav combination, BJP had won one seat out of 10 in 2017. The BSP had won four. This time, SP won all 10 despite anti-incumbency not only against SP MLAs but also against Akhilesh, who represents Azamgarh in Lok Sabha.

SP's success in Ambedkarnagar can be attributed to BSP bigwigs like Lalji Verma, Ram Achal Rajbhar and Rajesh Pandey defecting to SP. Kaushambi, considered to be the home turf of BJP's Keshav Prasad Maurya, was lost in over confidence of the candidates despite huge rallies by Narendra Modi and Amit Shah. All three seats BJP had won in 2017, slipped out of its hands. Ghazipur is considered to be the turf of OP Rajbhar of Suheldev Bharatiya Samaj Party. BJP had won five of the seven seats there in alliance with Rajbhar in 2017. This time, Rajbhar moving over to SP tilted the balance.

Shamli was jolt to BJP as its minister Suresh Rana lost. The impact of farmers' protest coupled with anti-incumbency hurt BJP. In 2017, the party had won two of the three seats.

Maharaj back in race for Uttarakhand top post

VINEET UPADHYAY @ Dehradun

CHURNING has begun in the Uttarakhand BJP to choose the next Chief Minister following BJP's victory in the recent Assembly polls that also saw CM Pushkar Singh Dhami losing his seat.

Around half-a-dozen names are doing the rounds for the Chief Minister's post. These include Tourism Minister Satpal Maharaj and Health Minister Dhan Singh Rawat.

"Almost every prominent state leader is lobbying for himself through various channels. Many state cabinet ministers who have scored consecutive victories in the elections are also in the race. Though the picture is not clear, for now Dhami has the numbers as well as sympathetic ears of the leadership," said a state BJP functionary.

The Chief Minister submitted his resignation to the Governor on Friday who asked him to continue as a caretaker Chief Minister until the next Chief Minister is appointed.

Union ministers Piyush Goyal and Dharmendra Pradhan are in Dehradun to oversee the selection of the next Chief Minister.

Meanwhile, four incumbent BJP MLAs have announced that they are ready to vacate their seats for Dhami to contest. Dhami was elevated as Chief Minister last year, sparking resentment among seniors such as Satpal Maharaj, Harak Singh Rawat, Yashpal Arya and Bishan Singh Chuphal.

Maharaj was said to be the angriest. Party sources said he had left a meeting of the party's legislature group and tried to meet the central leaders. Maharaj reportedly has the RSS backing.

After his elevation, Dhami had visited Maharaj at his residence. Maharaj agreed to join Dhami's oath-taking ceremony and became a cabinet minister in the Dhami cabinet at the behest of BJP's top leadership.

A senior BJP leader, most probably Union Home Minister Amit Shah, spoke to Maharaj recently after which he agreed to join the oath-taking ceremony and take the position of a cabinet minister in the Dhami cabinet.

Punjab success sprouts AAP hope in Rajasthan, election next December

RAJESH ASNANI @ Jaipur

AFTER its spectacular victory in Punjab, Aam Aadmi Party has started focusing on the Rajasthan Assembly elections due in December next year. It is planning to send the same team to Rajasthan which helped the party sweep win Punjab. However, traditional rivals in the state — Congress and BJP — say the situation here is different from Punjab and AAP will stands no chance of spreading its wings in the state.

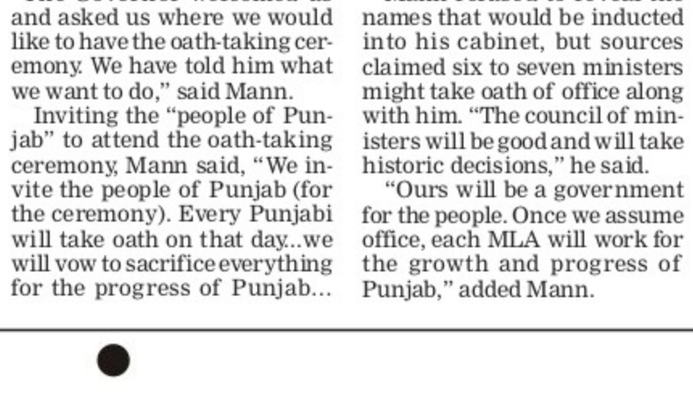
The enthusiasm of AAP workers in Rajasthan is suddenly very high, after the success in Punjab. Posters and hoardings of AAP have become visible on the main streets of Jaipur. Pictures of party leader Sanjay Singh, Delhi Chief Minister **Arvind Kejriwal** and Bhagwant Mann, the Chief Minister-designate in Punjab, are getting a lot of attention.

The party says it has already started focusing on Rajasthan. AAP's state secretary Devendra Shastri said, "There is a lot of enthusiasm here after the victory in Punjab. Preparations for next year's elections will start in two months. The way people welcomed the party in Delhi and now in Punjab, we think AAP will become an alternative in Rajasthan as well. The team that handled AAP's election management in Punjab will come here. For the time being, the party will focus on improving the strength of the organisation here."

Shastri said in the districts of Rajasthan adjoining Punjab, there was a lot of impact of the farmers' movement. AAP's state in-charge and MP Sanjay Singh has discussed the situation in Ganganagar district adjoining Punjab. An executive committee has been formed at the district level and Kejriwal has also visited Rajasthan to gauge the pulse of the people here.

In the 2018 elections in Rajasthan, AAP had fielded candidates in 142 of the 200 seats and managed only 0.4 per cent of votes, without being able to win even a single seat.

Given this background, the ruling party of the state does not accept that AAP will pose any challenge. State Congress president Govind Singh Dotasara said, "The Congress government's rule in Punjab was sluggish. But here, AAP has not fought elections strongly. And, Rajasthan government is giving good governance."



Punjab's CM-designate Bhagwat Mann meets Governor Banwarilal Purohit | PTI

CM-elect invites people of Punjab to oath ceremony

HARPREET BAJWA @ Chandigarh

PUNJAB Chief Minister-elect Bhagwant Mann on Saturday met Governor Banwarilal Purohit in Chandigarh and staked claim to form government.

Mann said the swearing-in ceremony will be held at 12:30 pm on March 16 at Khatkar Kalan, the ancestral village of freedom fighter Bhagat Singh, in the Nawanshahr district. "The Governor welcomed us and asked us where we would like to have the oath-taking ceremony. We have told him what we want to do," said Mann.

Inviting the "people of Punjab" to attend the oath-taking ceremony, Mann said, "We invite the people of Punjab (for the ceremony). Every Punjabi will take oath on that day...we will vow to sacrifice everything for the progress of Punjab... We will also pay tributes to Bhagat Singh."

AAP national convener and Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal will be attending the swearing-in ceremony. The two leaders will pay obeisance at the Golden Temple, Durgiana Mandir and Sri Ram Tirath Mandir before taking part in a roadshow in Amritsar to celebrate the AAP's stupendous victory and thank the voters.

Mann refused to reveal the names that would be inducted into his cabinet, but sources claimed six to seven ministers might take oath of office along with him. "The council of ministers will be good and will take historic decisions," he said.

"Ours will be a government for the people. Once we assume office, each MLA will work for the growth and progress of Punjab," added Mann.

Vote share intact, BJP makes inroads into Hindu & Christian belts in Goa

SUDHIR SURYAWANSHI @ Mumbai

IN the Goa Assembly elections, BJP performed better in Hindu and Catholic Christian-dominated regions of the state. It won 20 of the 40 seats and is all set to from the government.

The saffron party won 11 seats in Hindu-dominated North Goa. In 2017, it had won eight of these seats. In Catholic Christian-dominated South Goa, BJP won nine seats to improve it's 2017 tally of five from this part of the state. In both halves, it did better.

On the other hand, Congress performed badly in the Catholic Christian-dominated South Goa this time around. Out of the total of 20 seats, the grand old party won only five, after having secured victory in 10 of those five years ago. In North Goa, too, the Congress tally fell from seven to six.

The saffron brigade had fielded 12 Catholic Christian candidates, mostly in South Goa. Of them, only four candidates tasted success. Two of them were Babus Monserrate and his wife Jennifer, who was the revenue minister in the previous government led by Chief Minister Dr Pramod Sawant.

Another interesting aspect of the 2022 polls in Goa is, BJP"s vote share did not increase significantly. In 2017, the party's vote share was 32.5 per cent. This time, it went up to 33.3 per cent. However, what mattered in the end was the fact that BJP's seats went up to 20 from 13.

On the other hand, Congress suffered in terms of seats won as well as vote share. After having a vote share of 28.4 per cent five years ago, the party could only manage 23.5 per cent this time. Its seats came down to 11 from 17 in 2017.

"It shows that BJP's vote share remained intact and decline in vote share cost Congress. Secular votes of the Congress got divided among multiple parties including AAP, TMC, RGP in Catholic Christian-dominated areas. These parties did not have much impact in North Goa," said a political observer.

NODAL STAFF FOR TEMPLES

Bihar government has directed administrative heads of 21 districts to appoint nodal officers to manage 1,958 unregistered temples in the wake of 'large-scale irregularities' over transactions of assets by priests

29% INCREASE IN SEX RATIO AT MAHA'S GANGAPUR TEHSIL IN 2 YEARS

INDIA	Max	Min		Max	Min
Ahmedabad	34	21	Mumbai	35	26
Bhopal	35	18	Panaji	32	26
Jaipur	35	22	Patna	35	18
Amritsar	30	14	Lucknow	34	21
Chennai	34	26	Port Blair	32	25
Kolkata	34	21	Imphal	35	09
Srinagar	18	04	Chandigarh	37	19

Defence training must be made stress-free: PM

Says revamped defence univ is for those who want to build careers in the sector

DILIP SINGH KSHATRIYA
@ Ahmedabad

"STRESS-FREE training activities is the need of the hour for strengthening the country's security apparatus," said Prime Minister Narendra Modi while addressing the first convocation ceremony of Rashtriya Raksha University on Saturday, in which he also inaugurated a new campus. The prime minister said that the university is for those who want to build their careers in the field of defence across the country.

Explaining the importance of the university, the PM said that the field of defence is not just about uniforms and arms, but much more vast than that. There is a demand for well-trained manpower.

He said, "Post-independence, there was a need for reform in the country's security apparatus. A perception was developed that we have to be careful of the uniformed personnel. But it has transformed now. When people see uniformed personnel now, they get the assurance of help."

The Prime Minister also emphasised the need for experts to deal with stress and relaxation including yoga for the forces.

Commemorating the 92nd anniversary of the Dandi march Modi paid tributes to Mahatma Gandhi and those who had followed him.

He underlined the importance of technology in security and policing. He said if criminals are using technology, then technology can be leveraged to apprehend them as well.

He said this emphasis on technology would also enable even the specially-abled people to contribute to the field.

Never make the mistake of treating this as a police university. This is a 'raksha' university that takes care of the security of the country in its entirety

Narendra Modi, PM

For quality manpower

Rashtriya Raksha University will meet the need for trained manpower in policing wings, criminal justice and correctional administration

Modi addresses the convocation ceremony at RRU, Gandhinagar on Saturday | PTI

The PM also appealed to the three universities - RRU (Rashtriya Raksha University), NFSU (National Forensic Sciences University), and NLU (National Law University)- to work in tandem for better research and coordination in the fields of policing, forensic science, and law.

'Resolution of LAC row will facilitate bilateral relations'

MAYANK SINGH @ New Delhi

THE 15th round China-India Corps Commander Level Meeting which was held at Chushul-Moldo border meeting point on the Indian side on Friday ended without any significant progress over resolving of issues following the standoff in Eastern Ladakh.

The joint statement of the two said, "The two sides had a detailed exchange of views in this regard, in keeping with the guidance provided by the state leaders to work for the resolution of the remaining issues at the earliest.

The two sides carried forward their discussions from the previous round held on 12th January 2022 for the resolution of the relevant issues along the LAC in the Western Sector. The talks which had begun at 10 am lasted for almost 13 hours, another source said.

Consensus reached to maintain stability

The two nations 'agreed to maintain the security and stability on the ground in the interim' and also agreed to continue dialogue via military and diplomatic channels for mutually acceptable resolutions

The Indian side is being led by Lieutenant General Anindya Sengupta who took over as the General Officer Commanding of Leh-based Fire and Fury Corps in January. Major General Yang Lin, South Xinjiang Military District Commander is the leader of the Chinese contingent.

The two countries reaffirmed that such a resolution would help restore peace and tranquillity along the Line of Actual Control in the Western Sector and facilitate progress in bilateral relations.

India and China 'also agreed to maintain the security and stability on the ground in the interim' and also agreed to continue dialogue via military and diplomatic channels to reach a mutually acceptable resolution of the remaining issues at the earliest.

The 14 rounds of talks held till now "have resulted in the resolution of Pangong Tso (North and South Banks), Galwan (PP 14) and Gogra (PP 17A) areas."

There have been endeavours to disengage the Indian Army and the PLA troops from Hot Springs (Patrolling Point 15) where standoff continues.

The standoff persists also at Depsang Y-Junction and Demchok. The Depsang standoff has resulted in obstruction of Indian troop movement to the traditional Patrolling Points (PP) PP 10, PP11, PP 11A, PP12 and PP13.

Attempts on to divide Hindus as census year approaches, says RSS

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Ahmedabad

RELIGIOUS fanaticism and acts of communal hysteria are being spread in the country under the cover of Constitution and religious freedom, the Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh (RSS) said in its annual report while cautioning against "plans" by a particular community to enter the government machinery for furthering its 'malicious" agenda.

RSS on Saturday paid tributes to Mahatma Gandhi, besides other freedom fighters of the country, on the second day of its three-day meeting of its top decision-making body, the Akhil Bharatiya Pratinidhi Sabha, at Pirana village in Ahmedabad.

RSS chief **Mohan Bhagwat** as well as general secretary Dattatreya Hosabale were the key attendees in the meeting.

An RSS official media statement said, "Lal-Bal-Pal, Mahatma Gandhi, Veer Savarkar, Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose, Chandrasekhar Azad, Bhagat Singh, Velu Nachiyar, Rani Gaidinilu and many other unknown freedom fighters strengthened the feeling of self-respect and *rashtra-bhav* (nationalism). Swayamsevaks also played their role under the leadership of *deshbhakta* (patriot) Dr Hedgewar."

Hosabale in his speech said the historic freedom struggle continued for centuries and is a shining symbol of '*tyag* (sacrifice)' and '*samarpan* (dedication)' of our brave soldiers.

"The greatest aspect of the struggle for Independence was that it was not merely a political one but was also a socio-cultural movement."

The Air India flight which came to a halt off the runway at the Dumna airport in Jabalpur on Saturday | PTI

Plane overshoots runway in Jabalpur

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bhopal

AN Alliance Air ATR-72 aircraft with 55 passengers and five crew members on board, reportedly had a runway excursion as it landed on the Dumna Airport in Jabalpur city of Madhya Pradesh on Saturday, giving jitters to all those on board.

Fortunately, all passengers and crew members of the aircraft remained safe and were evacuated safely. "The DGCA has ordered an enquiry into the case. The airport was temporarily closed for a few hours owing to the incident, due to which a flight originating from Bengaluru was put on hold for a few hours, the airport sources added.

A runway excursion is a condition when any aircraft skids off the runway while taking off or landing.

Though various possible factors, including weather conditions and technical issues generally cause runway excursion, it's still not clear what caused Saturday's incident at the Jabalpur Airport.

According to reports, taking strict note of the incident, the Alliance Air has reportedly de-roastered the cockpit crew of the aircraft. A thorough probe has been instituted by the airliner to be shared with regulatory authorities.

PM's education policy inspired by Gandhian ideas, says Amit Shah

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Ahmedabad

THE education policy that PM has devised is in line with today's needs, look at it closely it has incorporated the ideas that Mahatma Gandhi had for education, said Union Home Minister Amit Shah during an event organised in Sabarmati Ashram on the occasion of the 92nd anniversary of Dandi march. "PM has taken inspiration from Gandhian attributes like *swabhasha*, *rajbhasha*, employment, education of self-reliance," he said.

The union home minister has been on a tour of Gujarat since Friday. On Saturday, he arrived at Kocharab Ashram near Paldi in Ahmedabad where he launched the 'Dandi cycle yatra'.

The 'salt *satyagraha*' was a part of Mahatma Gandhi's 'non-violent movement' against British rule. And in his memory, a symbolic Dandi 'yatra' is held every year from this date. This time, a similar seven-day yatra will be organised in which 12 people will travel to Dandi by bicycle.

During the launch event Amit Shah said that Dandi yatra was a movement that has found a distinct identity among freedom movements from around the world.

"India being such a large country, people did not have the means to communicate. Gandhiji's speech could not be heard live, and did not widely published in the newspapers due to fear of the Britishers. But the strength of Gandhiji's conviction led to every word he uttered reach all corners of the country. The Dandi yatra raised awareness across the country. The British did not have the strength to stop Gandhiji, as it was the strength of his truth and sincere stance," said the minister.

PERSEVERANCE PAYS OFF

Girl's appeal for road draws MLA's attention

EJAZ KAISER @ Raipur

A Bastar tribal girl took seven months to persuade the local MLA to approve a 2-km road that can link her remote outlying village in Bijapur, south Chhattisgarh to the main town. Sarita Kursam kept shooting WhatsApp messages every alternate day from July last year on a mobile phone of the local ruling Congress legislator. Until her messages drew the MLA's attention.

Vikram Mandavi, MLA who is also the tribal and vice-chairman of the Bastar & Southern Area Development Authority, has decided to meet Sarita at her village Naimad in Bijapur district, about 400 km from Raipur.

Sarita didn't bother if her repeated messages annoyed the legislator. Her only concern was to get a roadway that connects her habitat at Naimad with the main locality.

Sarita had met the MLA for the first time during the MLA's visit to the region on July 26 last year. She conveyed to him the villagers' expectation for the road-link. She is among the few youths in her village who are educated up to Class 12.

Mandavi had assured her that he would look into the demand. Impressed with the girl's confidence, he saved Sarita's number as 'Naimad ki Ladki (girl from Naimad)'.

The Congress leader said owing to his schedule, he couldn't find time to visit Sarita's village. "I have been routinely raising our demands with the MLA. When we found the legislator was not responding, I decided to post him a message every alternate day. That continued for seven months. Finally he came calling," she said.

The MLA eventually called a meeting of the local sarpanch and officials and instructed them to take up the road construction work.

During the MLA's earlier visit to the region on 26 July 2021, Sarita met him for the first time and conveyed the expectation on behalf of the villagers for a road that linked their habitat either with the highway or any major human settlement. She is among the few youngsters who have passed class XII in her village.

Sarita Kursam along with Vikram Mandavi, the legislator | EXPRESS

PAK SEEKS JOINT PROBE IN MISSILE FIRING ACCIDENT

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ New Delhi

PAKISTAN has sought explanations from India over the 'technical malfunction' which led to the accidental firing of a missile.

Pakistan has demanded a joint probe to accurately establish the facts surrounding the incident.

Islamabad also called upon the global community to take serious note of the incident in a nuclearised environment and play its due role in promoting strategic stability in the region.

It was on Friday that India's defence ministry acknowledged of the incident of missile that landed in Pakistan's Mian Channu in Khanewal district on March 9 and also ordered to probe the matter at high-level.

The Ministry of Defence (MoD) in a statement said,

"It is learnt that the missile landed in an area of Pakistan. While the incident is deeply regrettable, it is also a matter of relief that there has been no loss of life due to the accident," the union minister said.

Pakistan's foreign affairs ministry said, "The whole incident indicates many loopholes and technical lapses of serious nature in Indian handling of strategic weapons. Indian decision to hold an internal court of inquiry is not sufficient since the missile ended up in Pakistani territory."

Reduce NEET PG cut-off, govt asks NBE

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ New Delhi

THE Centre on Saturday directed the National Board of Examinations (NBE) to reduce the cut-off by 15 percentile across all categories for NEET-PG 2021 to fill up vacant PG medical seats in the country.

In a letter to NBE director Minu Bajpai, member secretary of the Medical Counselling Committee, B Srinivas said, "After due discussion, it has been decided by the health ministry in consultation with NMC to reduce the cut-off by 15 percentile across all categories, i.e. the qualifying percentile for a general category may be reduced to 35th percentile, for PH (general) to 30th percentile and reserved category to 25th percentile."

Trees transplanted, glory of Char Chinar restored

In a first, J&K forest officials have successfully completed transplanting operation of two tall Chinars at the famous Char Chinar in Dal Lake Srinagar. Char Chinar draws its name from four chinar trees – one in each corner. Two of the four trees had died over time. Then officials came up with the idea of tree transplantation. Two candidates with height of about 25 feet and girth of 28 inches each were selected at Dal Foreshore road, where they were experiencing stressful conditions. They were transported to Char Chinar on a large barge.

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SRINAGAR DIARY

Healthcare facilities for senior citizens in hospitals

The authorities have decided to extend exclusive health care facilities to senior citizens in all district hospitals of Kashmir. The decision has been taken in view of the growing old age population as the life expectancy throughout out the world has increased. The director, health services, Dr Mushtaq Ahmed Rather has directed to establish geriatric care units at all district hospitals of Kashmir. There will be a separate geriatric care OPD that will function on every Thursday in all district hospitals of the Valley. A separate ticket counter for the elderly will be functional at all district hospitals. All chief medical officers and medical superintendents of district hospitals in the valley have been directed to nominate three doctors from each district for training in geriatric care.

Probe on into city hospital blaze

The authorities have launched an inquiry to find out what caused the massive fire in Bone and Joints Hospital in Srinagar last Friday. The emergency operation theatre, faculty rooms and 12-bed spinal ward were reduced to heaps of rubble in the devastating fire. However, there was no loss of life or injury in the fire and all the 113 patients admitted in the hospital were shifted to other hospitals. The officials said the cause of the fire is being ascertained and it is being investigated what actually caused the fire. They said the preliminary estimates suggest that 90 per cent of equipment at the hospital is safe.

No physical files: E-office mode switch furthered

In order to eliminate corruption, the administration has ordered a complete switch to e-office mode. Principal Secretary to Government, Manoj Kumar Dwivedi, in an order enjoined upon all Administrative Secretaries to direct HoDs working under their administrative control to immediately switch to e-office mode of working. "Further, no physical files/daks shall be entertained in the Civil Secretariat from March 7," read the order. According to Chief Secretary Arun Mehta, at present 173 online services are being provided. The government had in September last year, issued a circular asking all HoDs to switch over to e-office mode of working with assistance from department of IT.

1,500 people have died in 12 days of Russian offensive in the southern port city of Mariupol

GLOBAL WEATHER

LR: Light Rain • HR: Heavy Rain • SW: Snow • TDS: Thundershower • LC: Light Cloud • SNY: Sunny

Beijing	16	3	LC	Los Angeles	21	10	SNY
Colombo	30	25	LC	Melbourne	28	16	SNY
Dhaka	34	21	LC	Moscow	4	1	LC
Dubai	33	23	SNY	New York	3	0	SNY
Houston	19	12	SNY	Singapore	32	26	LC
Istanbul	4	-3	SW	Toronto	1	0	LR
London	12	3	LR	Washington	6	-2	SNY

Russian forces squeeze Kyiv, surround Mariupol

Shell a mosque in Mariupol where 80 civilians had taken shelter; strikes destroy an airport and an oil depot in Vasylkiv, about 40km south of Kyiv

WAR RAGES ON

- Ukrainian authorities have warned of a humanitarian catastrophe in Mariupol, which has been encircled by Russian forces and cut off from deliveries of food and medicine
- Repeated attempts to bring in food and evacuate civilians from Mariupol have been cancelled due to relentless Russian fire, while Moscow accuses the Ukrainians of violating cease-fires. Mariupol's mayor says the 12-day assault has killed over 1,500 people.
- The Ukrainian Embassy in Turkey says a group of 86 Turkish nationals, including 34 children, are among those sheltering in a mosque in Mariupol.
- Elsewhere, Zelenskyy said the mayor of the city of Melitopol, west of Mariupol and near Crimea, was kidnapped, equating it to the actions of ISIS terrorists. "They have transitioned into a new stage of terror, in which they try to physically liquidate representatives of Ukraine's lawful local authorities," Zelenskyy said in an overnight video address.
- Ukraine's emergency services reported that bodies of 5 people were pulled from an apartment building that was struck by shelling in Kharkiv.
- The strikes in western Ukraine, on Ivano-Frankiivsk and Lutsk, were confirmed by Russia, which said it used long-range weapons to put military airfields in the two cities 'out of action.'

KYIV

RUSSIAN forces upped pressure on Kyiv Saturday, pummelling civilian areas in other Ukrainian cities, amid fresh efforts to get aid to the devastated port city of Mariupol.

Russian strikes destroyed the airport in the town of Vasylkiv on Saturday morning, about 40km south of Kyiv, while an oil depot was also hit and caught fire, the mayor said.

The northwest suburbs of the capital, including Irpin and Bucha, have already endured days of heavy bombardment while Russian armoured vehicles are advancing on the northeastern edge.

Ukrainian presidential adviser Mykhailo Podolyak on Friday called it a "city under siege", while Mayor Vitali Klitschko said on Saturday Kyiv was reinforcing defences and stockpiling food and medicine.

Buses were continuing to bring refugees into the city from the hard-hit suburbs Klitschko said in a video message, adding: "We will not give up."

Other cities have already fallen or been surrounded following Russia's invasion of its neighbour on February 24, with civilians targeted in what the United Nations warned could amount to war crimes.

The southern port city of Mariupol is facing what Ukrainian Foreign Minister Dmytro Kuleba called "the worst humanitarian catastrophe on the planet", with more than 1,500 civilians dead in 12 days.

Kyiv said on Saturday that Russian forces shelled a mosque in Mariupol where 80 civilians, including Turkish citizens, had taken shelter. However, this was denied by Ismail Hacioglu of the local mosque association, who told Turkish television the area was under fire but the mosque was not hit. A humanitarian convoy carrying food and medicine for around 400,000 residents in Mariupol on Saturday left Zaporizhzhia, to the north east, city officials said, with buses to bring civilians back. Clergy from the Orthodox Church would accompany the convoy, they said, after Ukraine's President Volodymyr Zelenskyy accused Russia of targeting previous similar efforts. *AFP*

Firefighters extinguish a fire on a house after shelling in Kyiv on Saturday | AFP

Smoke billows from burning containers after shelling in Vasylkiv, south west of Kyiv, on Saturday | AP/PTI

Western arms supplies may be attacked

MOSCOW

RUSSIA on Saturday said its troops could target supplies of Western weapons in Ukraine, where the Russian army has been advancing since late February.

"We warned the United States that the orchestrated pumping of weapons from a number of countries is not just a dangerous move, it is a move that turns these convoys into legitimate targets," Russian Deputy Foreign Minister Sergei Ryabkov told state television. He said Moscow had warned "about the consequences of the thoughtless transfer to Ukraine of weapons like man-portable air defence systems, anti-tank missile systems and so on."

Ryabkov said Washington had not taken Moscow's warnings seriously and added that Russia and the US were not holding any "negotiation processes" on Ukraine. President Vladimir Putin sent Russian troops into Ukraine on February 24 and said he aims to "de-Nazify" the country. Moscow has been hit by a barrage of international sanctions since Putin sent in troops. AFP

SCHOLZ, MACRON HOLDING FRESH TALKS WITH PUTIN

Paris: French President Emmanuel Macron and German Chancellor Olaf Scholz were holding new talks with Russian President Vladimir Putin about the war in Ukraine on Saturday, the Elysee palace said. Both Macron and Scholz on Thursday had "demanded an immediate ceasefire by Russia." Since meeting Putin in the Kremlin on February 7, Macron has had nine phone calls with the Russian leader, his office said. *AFP*

UN CALLS FOR SAFE CORRIDOR FOR SHIPS

Geneva: The International Maritime Organisation, a UN oversight body for international seafaring and the law of the sea, is calling for a safe corridor in the Black and Azov seas to let commercial ships evacuate. Many of the waters are mined, and Russian navy vessels are off the shores of Ukraine. The IMO Council said it deplored the attacks on commercial vessels and their seizures.

Concern grows over traffickers targeting Ukrainian refugees

SIRET, ROMANIA

ONE man was detained in Poland suspected of raping a 19-year-old refugee he'd lured with offers of shelter after she fled war-torn Ukraine. Another was overheard promising work and a room to a 16-year-old girl before authorities intervened.

Another case inside a refugee camp at Poland's Medyka border, raised suspicions when a man was offering help only to women and children. When questioned by police, he changed his story.

As millions of women and children flee across Ukraine's borders in the face of Russian aggression, concerns are growing over how to protect the most vulnerable refugees from being targeted by human traffickers or becoming victims of other forms of exploitation.

"Obviously all the refugees are women and children," said Joung-ah Ghedini-Williams, the UNHCR's head of global communications, who has visited borders in Romania, Poland and Moldova.

"You have to worry about any potential risks for trafficking — but also exploitation, and sexual exploitation and abuse. These are the kinds of situations that people like traffickers … look to take advantage of," she said.

The UN refugee agency says more than 2.6 million people, including more than a million children, have already fled war-torn Ukraine in what has become an unprecedented humanitarian crisis in Europe.

Tamara Barnett, director of operations at the Human Trafficking Foundation, a UK-based charity, said that such a rapid, mass displacement of people could be a "recipe for disaster."

"It's sort of a breeding ground for exploitative situations and sexual exploitation. When I saw volunteers offering their houses that flagged a worry in my head." *AP*

Biden names Indian-origin activist Shefali Duggal as Netherlands envoy

WASHINGTON

US President Joe Biden has nominated Indian-origin political activist Shefali Razdan Duggal as his envoy to the Netherlands, according to the White House. An immigrant to the US from Kashmir, Duggal, 50, has been raised in Cincinnati, Chicago, New York and Boston.

The White House made the announcement on Friday along with several other key administrative and diplomatic positions. Duggal, a mother of two, is an experienced political activist, women's rights advocate and human rights campaigner, the White House said.

Shefali Razdan Duggal with Joe Biden

She is a former Presidential Appointee to the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum Council and continues to serve as a Western Regional Advisor. Duggal is a San Francisco Committee member of Human Rights Watch, a member of the Wake Forest University Leadership and Character Council, and served on the National Board of Directors for Emily's List.

She received an MA in Political Communication from New York University. She also studied Mass Communication at Miami University.

Duggal is the recipient of numerous civic awards, including being recognised with the Western Regional Leadership Award by the US Holocaust Memorial Museum, as a Community Hero by the California State Assembly, and as one of the Most Powerful Women in California by the National Diversity Council. She served as National Co-Chair of Women for Biden, and as a Deputy National Finance Chair at the Democratic National Committee, the White House said.

Duggal had been active in Barack Obama's 2008 Presidential campaign and had also been associated with Hillary Clinton's Presidential campaign where she was a member of her campaign's Northern California Steering Committee and the Women for Hillary Committee. *PTI*

IN THE HON'BLE COURT OF THE I ADDL. CIVIL JUDGE & JMFC AT NELAMANGALA
C. Mis. No. 68/2022

Between: Sri Huchanna, S/o Late Thimmahanumaiah, R/at Kempohalli village, Madalakote Post, Kasaba Hobli, Nelamangala Taluk, Bangalore rural district ...**PETITIONER**
-V/s-
And: The Thasildar, [Registrar of Births and Deaths], Nelamangala Taluk. ..**RESPONDENT**

PUBLIC NOTICE

Whereas the petitioner above named has presented petition to this Hon'ble court under section 13(3) of Registration of Birth and Deaths Act 1969 for order direct the respondent authority to get enter the date of death petitioner father by name **Thimmahanumaiah S/o Veeranna**, who died on **23-03-1960** at the petitioner house at Kempohalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Nelamangala Taluk and order to issue death certificate of his father. The Hon'ble court has fixed on **08-04-2022** for hearing of the petition and that if any person/s desire to oppose the said petition or claim or interest shall appear before the Hon'ble court in person or by pleader duly instructed at 11 AM failing which the said application will be heard and determined as exparte.

Given under my hand & the seal of the court on 09-03-2022.

By order of the Court, Chief Ministerial Officer, Court of the Civil Judge, Junior Division and JMFC Court, Nelamangala.

Advocate for Petitioner: **Jayanna**
Dadapeer Layout, Soondekoppa Road, Nelamangala Town.

BEFORE THE MOTOR ACCIDENT CLAIMS TRIBUNAL No. II (SPECIAL SUBJUDGE) AT TIRUVALLUR
M.C.O.P No. 87 OF 2020

Nagaraj ...Petitioner
Vs
1.Jagathabi Ramesh
2.The Manager,
Royal Sundaram General Insurance Company Ltd., ...Respondents

To:
Jagathabi Ramesh,
S/o Jagathabi Sesham Raju,
No. 13, 14th Main Road, NT Pet,Bengaluru, Karnataka–560002 ...1st Respondent

NOTICE

Please take notice that the above petitioner has filed the above MACT before MACT-II, Tiruvallur for claiming compensation for under sec.166 of M.V Act. The above case Stands posted on **31.03.2022 at 10.30am** for your appearance either in person or through counsel failing which the case will be decided exparte.

A.Velmurugan, M.A., M.L.,
P.Ganapathy, M.Sc., B.Ed., B.L.,
Sd/- Counsel for the Petitioner
Cell: 9787408996, 8072710131

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the General Public that our clients, Mr. Muniraju, Mr. Narayanaswamy, Mr. Nagraj, Mr. Lakshmipathi, Mrs. Gowramma, Mrs. Sunandamma and Mrs. Yellamma, have filed suit in O.S.No.405/2002 on the file of the Senior Civil Judge, Bangalore Rural District Bangalore, against Mrs. Susheelamma, Mrs. Gayathri, Mr. Ravi, and Mr. Seenappa, seeking partition in the Suit Schedule Property and other properties, which are subject matter of the suit. This suit in O.S. No.405/2002 is decreed in our clients' favour on 10th January 2007, and appeal filed by Mrs. Susheelamma and others in RFA No.852/2007 is also dismissed vide order dated 11.12.2012. Our clients have already filed Final Decree [F.D.P] Proceeding in F.D.P.No.43/2013 and the same is pending adjudication before 4th Additional Civil Judge, Bengaluru Rural District at Bengaluru.

It has come to the notice of our client that Mrs. Susheelamma, Mrs. Gayathri, Mr. Ravi, and Mr. Seenappa, claiming to be absolute owners of the Schedule Property they are trying to alienate the Schedule Property in favour of third parties suppressing the judgement and decree in O.S.No.405/2002 and pendency of the F.D.P.43/2013. Therefore, the general public are cautioned not to enter into any kind of documentation/transaction in respect of Schedule Property and despite this, if any person entering into any kind or transactions documentation of whatsoever nature over the Schedule Property they will be do so at their risk and such transaction will not bind on our clients.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of the land bearing Sy. No.82/1, measuring 37 Guntas, situated at Byrathi Village, K.R. Puram Hobli, Bengaluru East Taluk, and bounded on the **East by:** Chikkavenkatappa's Land, **West by:** Govindappa's Land, **North by:** Chikkavenkatappa's Land, **South by:** Dodda Joogappa's Land.

M/S. B.M. ASSOCIATES, Advocates
Office at No.7/1, Top Floor,
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Indiranagar 1st Stage,
Bangalore-560 038.

PSPCL Punjab State Power Corporation Limited
Regd. Office: PSEB Head Office, The Mall, Patiala - 147001.
Corporate Identity No. : U40109PB2010SGC033813, Website : www.pspcl.in
(Contact Number : 9646122185)

Tender Enquiry No.: 251/SS(D)-330/Spares **Dated: 11.03.2022**

Dy.CE / Substation Design / TS Organization, PSPCL, C-1, Shakti Vihar, PSPCL, Patiala invites E-tender for Manufacture, testing, supply and delivery of 79 Nos. Battery Charger of various ratings. For detailed NIT & Tender Specification, please refer to **https://eproc.punjab.gov.in** from **15.03.2022** (11:00 AM onwards).

NOTE: Corrigendum and Amendments, if any, will be published online at **https://eproc.punjab.gov.in**

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SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER PHED CIRCLE NCR ALWAR
PHED Campus, Manu Marg Alwar (Raj.)
Email: sencr.alw.phed@rajasthan.gov.in

No.4749-63 **Date: 23.02.2022**

NOTICE INVITING BID (NIT No.203-218 / 2021-22)

Bids for **Works of Construction of Source, PLI of Rising Main & Distribution Pipe Line with FHTC, Construction of Reservoir for Various villages** are invited from interested bidders upto **05:00 PM** on Date **23.03.2022**. Other particulars of the Bid may be visited on the procurement portal (**http://eproc.rajasthan.gov.in**, **http://sppp.raj.nic.in**) of the state and **https://phedwater.rajasthan.gov.in** departmental website.

NIB Code:- PHE2122A6616

UBN:- PHE2122WSOB14591, PHE2122WSOB14592, PHE2122WSOB14593, PHE2122WSOB14594, PHE2122WSOB14595, PHE2122WSOB14596, PHE2122WSOB14597, PHE2122WSOB14598, PHE2122WSOB14599, PHE2122WSOB14600, PHE2122WSOB14601, PHE2122WSOB14602, PHE2122WSOB14603, PHE2122WSOB14604, PHE2122WSOB14605, PHE2122WSOB14606.

Sd/-
L.P. Bairwa
Superintending Engineer

DIPR/C/2903/2022

APTUS Aptus Value Housing Finance India Ltd
8B, Doshi Towers, 205, Poonamalle High Road, Kilpauk, Chennai-600 010.Telephone: 044-4565 0003

Possession Notice Appendix IV (rule8 (1) of the SARFAESI Act

Whereas, the undersigned being the authorized officer of **Aptus Value House Finance India Ltd** under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued **demand notice dated 09-11-2022** calling upon the borrowers **1. ANIL T G, 2. SATHISH** to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being for LAP - Construction& Top Up Loan Loan Nos: APEEN0008064 and APEEN0018255 of **Rs. Rs.1659377/- (Rupees Sixteen Lakh Fifty Nine Thousand Three Hundred Seventy Seven Only) & Rs.625595/- (Rupees Six Lakh Twenty Five Thousand Five Hundred Ninety Five Only)** within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers and the public in general that the undersigned has taken "Symbolic Possession" of the property described herein below in exercise of the powers conferred on him/her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said rule on this **07th day of March 2022.**

The borrowers in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of **Aptus Value Housing Finance India Ltd** for an amount of **Rs 16,51,719/- (Rupees Sixteen Lakh Fifty One Thousand Seven Hundred Nineteen Only) & Rs. 6,18,093/- (Rupees Six Lakh Eighteen Thousand Ninety Three Only) as on 17-02-2022** and interest thereon.

The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of Sub-Section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets

Description of the Immovable property:-

All that piece and parcel of Immovable property bearing Site No 14,Khatha No.2561,carved out of converted Sy.No.65/8, and the same was Converted for residential purpose by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District vide order No.BDS.ALN.(S) SR(KT).156/2004-05 dated 18/01/2005, situated at Thavarekere Village, Thavarekre Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, presently comes under the limits of Grama Panchyat, Thavarekere, measuring East to West 30 Feet and North to South 40 feet in all and Bounded by: **Boundaries: North By:** 20 feet of Road, **South By:** Site no. 13, **East By:** 20 feet of Road, **West By:** Site no. 15

Date: 07-03-2022 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place: Bangalore **Aptus Value Housing Finance India Private Ltd**

SHIVAMOGGA SMART CITY LIMITED
Regd Office: 1st Floor, Corporation Building block SN Market, Nehru Road, Shivamogga - 577-201
Email : shimogasmartcity@gmail.com P.No: 08182-279951

NOTICE INVITING TENDER

No:SSCL/TECH/304/ROB/2021-22/1343 **Date : 09.03.2022**

The Managing Director, SSCL Shivamogga invites Tenders under Two Cover system as per the Karnataka Transparency in Public Procurement Act 1999 and Rules 2000 through e procurement. Registered Contractors in KPWD (Civil)/NH or in eligible authority and who have Qualifications as per tender document are eligible to apply.

SI No : 1. Name of the work : **Conversion of Existing Over Head 11 KV/LT lines into Partial UG cable for Facilitating Railway Fly over from Usha nursing home Circle to LBS Nagara Chowdamma Temple Limit of Savalanga Road in the jurisdiction of UNit-2, CSD-1, MESCOM, Shivamogga under Self Finance Scheme and Estimate for shifting of ht/lt lines for providing railway over bridge from Kashipura to sominakoppa road as per request of SW Railway department under Self Finance Scheme in unit7 and unit9 of CSD3 Shimoga limits.** Amount put to tender lakhs : **156.67** EMD Amount in Lakhs : **1.60** Eligibility of Contractor : **Class-I Electrical.** Period of completion : **3 months.**

Calender of events: (1). Blank Tender documents can be downloaded from: **09.03.2022 @ 4.00 P.M.** (2). Last date for Tender Queries: **14.03.2022 @ 4.00 P.M** (3). Pre bid meeting: **16.03.2022 @ 4.00 PM.** (4). Last Date for uploading the Filled Tender Document is: **17.03.2022 upto 4.00 PM.** (5). Date of Opening of Technical bid is on: **19.03.2022 @ 4.30 PM.** (6). Date of Opening of Financial bid is on: **21.03.2022 @ 4.30 PM.** For details, registration and e-payment visit GOK e-procurement website.https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in or contract e-procurement Helpdesk at 080-25501216 / 080-25501227, For more information contact in office hours.

Sd/- **Managing Director**
Shivamogga Smart city Limited
Shivamogga

DIPR/SMG/No.75-03 zenkar/2021-22

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NATA 2022

PUBLIC NOTICE

Announcement of NATA-2022 for admission to 1st year of 5-year B.Arch. degree course

The Council of Architecture is pleased to announce that National Aptitude Test in Architecture (NATA) 2022 shall be conducted by the Council **thrice** for the year 2022. The Tests shall be conducted on 12.06.2022, 03.07.2022 and 24.07.2022 respectively in two sessions each.

As per COA (Minimum Standards of Architectural Education) Regulations, 2020, all candidates need to qualify an Aptitude Test conducted by the Council (i.e. NATA) for admission into 1st year of 5-year B.Arch. degree course at approved architectural institutions in the country (except at CFTIs which admit students based on JEE Paper 2 through CSAB).

The NATA portal shall be opened shortly to facilitate the students to register for NATA 2022. The NATA-2022 Brochure with details of registration & other important dates shall be published on the website www.nata.in and www.coa.gov.in.

The candidates desirous to take admission into 1st year of 5-year B.Arch. degree course are advised to register themselves on NATA portal.

New Delhi
Date : 12.03.2022

Registrar

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grooms

GROOM WANTED

Proposals invited for a progressive good looking daughter of doctors of inter religious marriage (Muslim Hindu) settled in Australia. Currently working as doctor in Australia doing her post graduate studies. Proposals are invited from doctors based in Australia New Zealand or UK. Should be willing to move and settle in Australia. Further details will be shared on expression of interest. Contact: 9447244865 & +61450634778.

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Proposals are invited for a Malayali Christian Marthomite Girl
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MBBS MD Preferred
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Contact
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$631.92 bn was India's forex reserve as of March 11, according to RBI data. This has increased by $394 million over the previous week.

NSE's Himalyan fall: Co-location scam and afterwards

Co-location was conceptualised and implemented from 2009 when Ramkrishna was joint MD of National Stock Exchange

RAM SAHGAL @Mumbai

THE former management of premier stock exchange NSE and people connected with them have grabbed the headlines recently, for all the wrong reasons. Chitra Ramkrishna, former MD & CEO of NSE, is presently in CBI custody, her then advisor Anand Subramanian is in jail and prominent public policy expert Ajay Shah has been interrogated by the federal anti-corruption agency.

The latest events unfolded after a Sebi order of February 11, which leveled grave and serious allegations of corporate governance lapses against Ramkrishna and her former colleagues, besides noting that she and Subramanian shared confidential details of financial projections, dividend payouts and HR policies, among others, with a purported mystic over an email id: rigyajursama@outlook.com.

Stock market regulator Sebi stumbled upon these email exchanges while investigating the co-location scam of 2010-14, in which the CBI filed an FIR in May 2018. CBI's recent arrests of the two former top management executives after new facts presented by Sebi are to ascertain any likely link between the co-location scam and these messages.

Neither Ramkrishna nor Subramanian were named in the 2018 FIR, though unknown NSE and SEBI officials have been cited as being involved in the co-location fiasco.

The co-location scam

Co-location was conceptualised and implemented from 2009 when Ramkrishna was joint MD of NSE. It means that a market participant places his server next to the exchange server rack, allowing him to execute orders and get exchange price feeds quicker than the others. Co-location's the fastest mode of connection to an exchange server, the others being through a leased line, multiprotocol label switching, internet, computer to computer link, etc. This naturally gives him an edge over other market participants.

"Co-location is a natural progression of algorithmic or programmed trading, where speed is the key," said a former exchange official requesting anonymity. With Sebi permitting algo trading, NSE set up co-location facilities during 2009-13, allowing brokers to avail of this architecture for a fee.

Nothing seemingly wrong with all of this until Sebi received a whistleblower complaint alleging that NSE was allowing certain brokers unfair access at its co-location facilities, enabling them to gain at the expense of the other brokers. The regulator stepped in to investigate the complaint in 2015.

Sebi directed the NSE to run a forensic audit of its exchange architecture, and the exchange appointed Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu for the same. The auditor found that the architecture was prone to manipulation.

HERE'S HOW IT UNFOLDED

- 1994 — Chitra joins NSE in charge of debt segment
- 2009 — Chitra is joint MD when co-location (co-lo) is conceptualised
- 2010-14 — Certain brokers misuse colo facilities at NSE in collusion with unknown exchange officials
- 2013 — Chitra becomes MD & CEO
- 2013-16 — OPG Securities accesses secondary server against NSE rules
- 2015 — Sebi investigates whistleblower complaints against certain brokers in NSE co-lo facilities
- 2016 — Chitra steps down
- 2017 — Sebi receives second whistleblower complaint in co-lo matter , CBI steps in
- 2018 — CBI files FIR in co-lo case
- 2019 — Sebi passes order against Chitra & other former NSE officials
- 2022 — Sebi passes order against Chitra, Securities Appellate Tribunal stays same
- Feb 11 — CBI arrests Chitra for sharing confidential NSE info over email with outsider
- Feb 24 — CBI arrests Anand Subramanian, former chief strategic officer of NSE MD
- Mar 3

Role of brokers & Ajay Shah

CBI stepped into investigate the co-location case after the then Sebi chairman received a second whistleblower in 2017 alleging irregularities at the NSE co-location facilities and bribes having been paid to certain Sebi officials to settle cases favourably. This smacked of misuse of office and corruption, the remit of CBI.

In its FIR in 2018, CBI alleged that certain brokers, including OPG Securities, through its promoter Sanjay Gupta, gamed the exchange data centre in collusion with unnamed NSE officials. Between 2010 and 2013, OPG was allegedly given the switch-on time of the exchange servers and through this was able to log on first and place its orders, gaining undue advantage.

Then, during 2013-16, when Ramkrishna was MD & CEO, the broker was able to access the secondary server, where the order load was light to negligible, allowing it to execute transactions faster than others in the co-location facility. This was in violation of NSE rules as the secondary server's function was to take the load off the main server so as not to clog the same.

CBI also alleged that Gupta bribed Sebi officials when he was being investigated by the regulator for his role in the co-location matter.

Pertaining to the role of Ajay Shah, CBI found that NSE, with Ramkrishna in harness, transferred trade data to him under the guise of research, but that Shah allegedly passed this on to Infotech Financials, which in turn developed algo software called Chanakya used by brokers on NSE, including OPG.

Interestingly, one of the directors of this firm was Sunitha Thomas, Shah's sister-in-law, who is married to Suprabhat Lala, Senior VP of NSE, CBI noted in its FIR.

Nemesis catches up with Chitra

Though Ramkrishna and others weren't named in the CBI FIR of 2018 and SAT stayed a Sebi order against her in 2019, Sebi's stumbling upon email exchanges between her and an outsider and its subsequent order of February 11 made the CBI sit up and examine the co-location case in light of the new facts, said a CBI official.

CBI noted the lapses in her appointing Subramanian, having no prior experience of financial markets, to the post of group operating officer. Sensing her possible arrest, Ramkrishna moved a special CBI court for anticipatory bail, which rejected the same, noting that she ought to be confronted with Subramanian for the CBI to get to the bottom of the co-location scam.

NSE SAGA

HOW BIG IS THE NSE CO-LOCATION SCAM?

SUNITHA NATTI

EXPRESS ILLUSTRATION

SCAMS are all about money. But in the National Stock Exchange (NSE) case, which first surfaced in 2015, nobody has a clue about the true extent of the alleged financial fraud.

Even six years after shocking revelations, it is unclear if investigators are anywhere close to cracking the crux of the case. Who are those foreign institutional investors and foreign portfolio investors, as they accessed the order book of the exchange hours before the market opening for over five years on the trot? and also the total amount of unlawful gains that traders made are still unclear.

While a public interest litigation filed by a journalist cited a Sebi-Technical Advisory Committee report that pegged the scam at ₹50,000 crore, Parliamentary member Arvind Ganpat Sawant in his question last year referred it as a ₹75,000 crore scam.

If the figure is anywhere close to either of the numbers mentioned above, this will perhaps be the biggest stock market scandal the country has ever seen.

Frustratingly, the penalties imposed by market regulator Sebi on various parties including NSE, its top management and brokers is coin change ranging from ₹1 crore to ₹15.6 crore, excluding interest. Worse, investigating agencies are yet to establish firm facts whether the world's largest derivatives exchange and its then management indulged in any intentional wrongdoing.

Stripped off technicalities, the key allegations were that NSE staff allowed preferential access to a handful of traders, and this crucial data was then allegedly shared to a few traders in offshore locations such as Singapore, as per the whistleblower letter in 2015. Curiously, NSE's forensic audits focused largely on brokers' preferential access to exchange servers, but not on data sharing, or on foreign investors, who made money using the data.

ISB, which was tasked to measure the unlawful gains of 17 trading members, who may have had preferential access, found that Delhi-based broking firm OPG Securities profited by Rs 25 crore due to unfair advantage. But this is only one part of the crime. OPG Securities, as per CBI, received help from Ajay Shah, who also had access to NSE's time series data for research purposes, which allegedly was used to generate algorithms to maximize profits.

Just to get a sense of it, NSE has about 1,000 trading members, but only 188 availed the co-location facility. Out of these 188, only a handful had preferential access as against the whole market, every day for at least five years. It's estimated that the trading volume at NSE that time was roughly ₹2.3 lakh crore a day.

Here's another glaring fact: NSE's first crime wasn't giving preferential access to select brokers, but starting the tick-by-tick (TBT) High Frequency or Algo trading (HFT) and co-location service itself, which began in January 2010. NSE neither informed Sebi nor sought necessary approvals to start the service, which means, all these trades were illegal to begin with, but Sebi dealt the issue with kid gloves ,as if NSE had committed a schoolboy error.

But the money the exchange made via co-location facility stood at a whopping ₹811.54 crore FY11-FY14, so in some consolation for onlookers, the regulator had asked NSE to deposit ₹1,000 crore in an investor protection fund (disgorge ₹625 crore along with interest of 12% per annum from April 2014) to the Investor Protection and Education Fund. Predictably, NSE challenged the order and Securities Appellate Tribunal (SAT) ruled in its favour last year.

Meanwhile, as Sree Iyer of PGurus noted, India's Stock market is influenced by Singapore markets where only foreign investors and very few others have access. These handful of HFT operators were making an average ₹50-100 crore a day, which when stretched to five years, puts the illegal gains at about ₹50,000-60,000 crore.

Now look at the penalties imposed: A monetary penalty of ₹3 crore on Chitra Ramkrishna, ₹2 crore each on NSE, Ravi Narain and Anand Subramaninan for administrative lapses. As for the co-location case, both Narain and Ramkrishna disgorge 25% of their salaries of three years (FY11-FY13) and one year (FY14) respectively, and which is roughly estimated at ₹4-5 crore. OPG Securities was asked to disgorge ₹15.6 crore. All of them moved the SAT separately against Sebi orders, and the matter is currently being heard.

Key allegations

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EPFO cuts interest rate to 4 decades low of 8.1%

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @New Delhi

THE Employees' Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO) on Saturday proposed to cut the interest rate on provident fund deposits from 8.5% to 8.1% for 2021-22.

This is the lowest interest rate on deposits in the past four decades, and is set to impact 60 million subscribers. The decision was taken at the meeting of EPFO's central board of trustees, chaired by Labour Minister Bhupender Yadav in Guwahati.

Addressing the board meting, Bhupinder Yadav said, "I feel good to announce 8.1% interest rate on EPF savings for 2021-22 at a time when a 10-year FD with SBI yields just around 5.4% returns, while returns on savings instruments like the PPF are in the range of 6.8% to 7.1%."

The interest rate on EPFO was slashed several times in the past four years. In 2019-20, the interest rate on provident fund deposit was 8.5%, while in 2018-19 it was 8.65% and 8.55% in 2017-18. The last time when the EPF rate was even closer to 8.1 % was in 2011-12 when the retirement fund body paid 8.25-8.5% rate to its subscribers.

Now the board's recommendation will be sent to the finance ministry for approval. Once the ministry approves it, EPFO will direct its field offices to credit the interest income calculated at the new rate of 8.1% for 2021-22 in the subscribers' accounts. The EPFO manages retirement savings of nearly ₹16 lakh crore belonging largely to formal sector workers. The EPFO has liquidated ₹12,785 crore worth equity investments in exchange-traded funds, and will use capital gains of around ₹5,529 crore from the amount for FY22 EPF interest payout. It still will have a surplus of around ₹450 crore after paying at a rate of 8.1%.

Business & Beyond

BOB opens Bhubaneswar-2 office

Bank of Baroda, Bhubaneswar-2 Regional office was inaugurated recently at Chalachitra Bhaban, Buxi Bazar, Cuttack. Vishal Kumar Dev, IAS, Principal Secretary (Finance), Government of Odisha, Debadatta Chand, Executive Director of Bank of Baroda (BOB) and Satyabrata Tripathy, Chairman, OFDC, inaugurated the office.

Women's Day celebration

Welspun Global Brands celebrated Women's Day with women who are associated with the business. SPACES, the premium Home Textile brand from Welspun, honoured the guests. Director Orissa Stevedores Limited (OSL) Arti Mishra delivered the welcome address. The event was followed by SS 22 booking of merchandise,where top retailers attended the programme.

SBI donates e-vehicle to Utkal University

An e-vehicle was donated to Utkal University, Vani Vihar, by the State Bank of India on 9 March, 2022. Vidya Krishnan, Chief General Manager, SBI, Bhubaneswar Circle, handed over the key to Sabita Acharya, VC of Utkal University, Vani Vihar in the presence of Abhey Kishore Pandey, General Manager NW-I, Anand Bikram DGM (B&O), Bhubaneswar Zone-I, among others.

TRL Krosaki plant commissioned

The TRL Krosaki Refractories Limited commissioned a 100-MT-per-month new alumina graphite plant in its Belpahar Works on 7 March, 2022. Set up with an investment of nearly ₹65 crore, this plant will enable TRL Krosaki to produce Continuous Casting Refractories for Steel Plants in India and abroad. The project was commissioned with the technology of Krosaki Harima Corporation of Japan.

Canara Bank celebrates International Women's Day

Canara Bank Circle Office Bhubaneswar celebrated International Women's Day by organising a Canara Bazar, which was attended by Chief Guest B.L Meena. General Manager, Canara Bank, Bhubaneswar Circle Office. Many Self-Help Groups financed by Canara Bank showcased their handmade products.

MCL Talcher Area celebrates Women's Day

International Women's Day 2022 was celebrated by Forum for Women in Public Sector, Talcher Area chapter along with Pragati Mahila Mandal. The celebration started with a rally and the day was filled with various entertainment programmes. A dance programme was also presented by Bagadhar Basti on the theme 'Gender equality today for a sustainable tomorrow'.

OHPC celebrates Women's Day

Odisha Hydro Power Corporation (OHPC) celebrated Women's Day at the corporate office and at all units. A programme was organised on the occasion. Prof. Sangeeta Rath, Member, OPSC, emphasised on Gender Equality. Nibedita Mohanty of Feel Alive Group was the facilitator of the programme on the theme 'Gender Equality today for a Sustainable tomorrow'.

RBI lifts restrictions on HDFC's digital launches

ENS @Mumbai

THE Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has lifted the restrictions on the new digital launches of HDFC Bank, the bank said in an update to the exchanges on Saturday.

"We refer to our Previous Intimation wherein we had informed of RBI lifting the restrictions on sourcing of new credit cards by HDFC Bank Limited," the letter to the stock exchanges read.

"As a further update to the above, we wish to inform you that the RBI vide its letter dated March 11, 2022 has lifted the restrictions on the business generating activities planned under the Bank's Digital 2.0 program. The members of the Board of Directors have taken note of said RBI letter," it added.

Digital 2.0 programme of the bank is designed to provide products to its customers for frictionless financial experience. It will help customers to move from a single transaction to a complete financial solution journey such as loan disbursement, payments and investment.

The central bank had imposed restrictions on the bank in December 2020 due to frequent outages at its data centre. It was barred from on-boarding new credit card customers and any new launches under its Digital 2 programme.

The bank worked on fixing the glitches and in August last the RBI allowed it to issue new credit cards.

Rivals ICICI Bank and SBI Cards seized the opportunity to narrow the gap with HDFC Bank. The action against HDFC Bank was followed by a ban on new card issuances by Mastercard and American Express due to their failure to adhere to data localisation rules.

The share is likely to gap up on Monday as this news came after market closure on Friday. The HDFC Bank share has shed almost a fifth of its value from its 52-week high of ₹1,725 on October 18 last year through Friday's closing of ₹1,396.

Diaz, Salah help Reds win

LIVERPOOL closed the gap on Premier League leaders Manchester City to three points as Luis Diaz and Mohamed Salah sealed a 2-0 win against Brighton on Saturday. Diaz opened the scoring in the first half and Salah netted with a penalty after the interval. Jurgen Klopp's side have won their last eight league games, keeping pressure on City, with the champions playing at Crystal Palace on Monday.

HARMAN-DHANA SHOW

Centuries from Smriti & Harmanpreet help India bounce back

GOMESH S @Chennai

JUST before India's clash against New Zealand, the ICC did a segment on their training where former skipper Anjum Chopra spoke to the players and the coach. Among other things, what stood out was her chat with Harmanpreet Kaur. Chopra said that Kaur was the first to get into the nets and had to wait for a long time to catch up with her. When she eventually did, Kaur said that she was trying to hit some lofted shots. In the short snippet, there were pulls, shots down the ground, shots over covers, flicks through mid-wicket, sweeps, backfoot punches... shots she had employed against New Zealand. On Saturday against West Indies, however, things were different.

India were batting first, and their intent was clear from the first ball. Yastika Bhatia got them off to a flier while Mithali Raj and Deepti Sharma got out trying. But, by the time Kaur had joined Smriti Mandhana, the situation was a bit tricky. With Shamilia Connell and Anisa Mohammed bowling from either end, Kaur took most of the strike against the off-spinner, letting Mandhana handle the pacers. Mohammed was bowling straight and attacked the stumps, trying to trap Kaur on the pads. But, she was in her zone. It did not take long from there to secure at least one boundary in every over or scoring over run-a-ball with just singles and doubles. That she was batting with Mandhana, one of her favourite batting partners, surely helped.

Smriti Mandhana (left) and Harmanpreet Kaur stitched 184-run stand for the fourth wicket against West Indies at Hamilton on Saturday | AFP

Brief scores: India 317/8 in 50 ovs (Mandhana 123, Harmanpreet 109) bt West Indies 162 in 40.3 ovs (Dottin 62, Matthews 43, Rana 3-22) by 155 runs.

Despite playing together for eight years and 60 innings, the duo has batted together only nine times. Among those Kaur has batted with more than once, her partnership averages with Mandhana is the best: 58.22 with two hundreds and as many fifty-plus stands. And as the opener said after the match, they complement each other well in the middle overs. "She's really good with spin, and I like pace on the ball... when the spinners comes on, I give her the strike, and when the pacers come on, she gives me the strike," said Mandhana, who shared the player of the match award with Kaur.

From 78 for three, they took the tally to 169 for three after 32 overs, registering their respective fifties, from where the carnage began. Mandhana was the first to get to her century, and she went on an attacking spree before getting out for 123 from 119. Kaur kept the momentum going, smacking Deandra Dottin over square-leg for a six and a four off consecutive deliveries as she got to a run-a-ball hundred.

Though it was her fourth ODI century, it was a day of many firsts for Kaur. It was the first time she registered two consecutive 50-plus scores since the 2017 World Cup; also her first century since that epic, unbeaten 171 against Australia. The celebrations that followed said it all. It was more relief than ecstasy as Kaur pumped her fist in the air and raised her bat to the dug out where everyone was on their feet. The five-year wait had finally come to an end. The onslaught continued for just a little while, but by the time she got out, India were in a position of total strength.

Kaur's love for World Cups is no secret as she averages 53.07 in global events compared to her career average of 35.17. After the loss against New Zealand, there were more questions than answers for the Indian team management.

On Saturday, she stepped up and delivered along with her favourite partner when the team needed her the most. Because that is what a big match player does.

On a crumbling pitch, India turn the heat

ASHIM SUNAM @ Bengaluru

EVEN before a single ball was bowled in the second Test between India and Sri Lanka, the dry pitch at the M Chinnaswamy Stadium had already become a talking point. Two questions loomed large. How will it play during the day? How will the ball behave under lights? With the stadium hosting its first day-night Test, there were a lot of uncertainties.

For the first question, it did not take much time to figure it out. The away team handed a relatively new pink ball to slow left-arm Lasith Embuldeniya in the eighth over and the first couple of balls produced some turn, which set the tone for the rest of the innings.

The second question was answered some 60 overs later as the hosts' pacers proved to be a roaring success against the Lankan top order. Mohammed Shami and Jasprit Bumrah made the Islanders dance to their tunes with a massive crowd egging them on. With the quality that the Indian bowlers have shown in the past, irrespective of the conditions, they were always going to be a weapon for Rohit Sharma under lights.

The duo delivered as Sri Lanka were in all sorts of trouble at 86/6, still trailing by 166 runs. They made the ball move both ways with decent pace. It was a test against the moving ball, and none of them, barring Angelo Mathews (43), showed confidence. It was the brilliance of Bumrah (3/15), which played an important role in reducing their opponents.

If the post dinner session belonged to India pacers, the first two sessions witnessed a battle between host batters and Sri Lanka spinners. To be fair, the former did not look too comfortable against the spin and low bounce in the offing as they were reduced to 86/4. India were looking for someone to take them towards a good score. Though Rishabh Pant scored a brisk 26-ball 39, it was Shreyas Iyer, who stole the show with a 98-ball 92.

On such a track, it was always going to be difficult to survive. Blocking was not an option. As a result, the middle order batters, including Pant and Iyer played their natural game. In fact, Pant did not allow any of the bowlers to settle down. He opened his innings with two fours in his first three balls, and looked set for a big innings before Embuldeniya (3/94) castled him.

Full story: newindianexpress.com

SCOREBOARD: INDIA 1ST INNINGS: Agarwal (run out) 4, Sharma c de Silva b Embuldeniya 15, Vihari c Dickwella b Jayawickrama 31, Kohli lbw de Silva 23, Pant b Embuldeniya 39, Iyer st Dickwella b Jayawickrama 92, Jadeja c Thirimanne b Embuldeniya 4, Ashwin c Dickwella b de Silva 13, Patel b Lakmal 9, Shami c de Silva b Jayawickrama 5, Bumrah (not out) 0; Extras: (B7, LB8, NB2) 17; **Total:** (all out in 59.1 overs) **252**; **FoW:** 1/10, 2/29, 3/76, 4/86, 5/126, 6/148, 7/183, 8/215, 9/229; **Bowling:** Lakmal 8-3-12-1, Fernando 3-0-18-0, Embuldeniya 24-2-94-3, Jayawickrama 17.1-3-81-3, de Silva 7-1-32-2. **SRI LANKA 1ST INNINGS:** Mendis c Iyer b Bumrah 2, Karunaratne b Mohammed Shami 4, Thirimanne c Iyer b Bumrah 8, Mathews c Sharma b Bumrah 43, de Silva lbw b Mohammed Shami 10, Asalanka c Ashwin b Patel 5, Dickwella (batting) 13, Embuldeniya (batting) 0; Extras: (b1) 1; **Total:** (For 6 wickets in 30 overs) **86; FoW:** 1/2, 2/14, 3/14, 4/28, 5/50, 6/85; **Bowling:** Bumrah 7-3-15-3, Ashwin 6-1-16-0, Shami 6-1-18-2, Jadeja 6-1-15-0, Patel 5-1-21-1.

RCB appoint Faf as captain

ENS @ Bengaluru

THE Royal Challengers Bangalore have appointed Faf Du Plessis as the captain of the franchise in Bengaluru on Saturday. The South African is taking over from Virat Kohli, who announced his decision to quit captaincy before the second leg of IPL last year.

However, this move did not come as a surprise with the team not having much options on the table. Barring Glenn Maxwell and Dinesh Karthik, they did not have any experienced player in the squad to handle the key job. Du Plessis was picked up by the franchise for ₹7 cr at the mega auction last month. He has played 100 matches in the IPL, scoring 2935 runs at a strike rate of 131.

"The opportunity to be the captain of a franchise like RCB is massive and a role I was glad to accept. The work is just going to begin as we try to build off the success the team has enjoyed in previous years....I will do my best to ensure a successful season this time with the desired outcome," said former South African captain Du Plessis.

Eye on returning Hima ahead of Indian GP 1

MARTIN JOSEPH @ Thiruvananthapuram

THIS year is going to be a stacked one for Indian athletics. Apart from the Asian Games, a big multi-discipline event where they win myriad medals, there is also the Commonwealth Games and the World Championships. That being the case, a good beginning is extremely vital to settle into a good rhythm. And that's what the first Indian Grand Prix — here on Sunday — offers. It offers all athletes an opportunity to set themselves up.

Among the standout names who will be on show is Hima Das, the national record holder in the women's 400m. There is also bound to be extra scrutiny on the girl from Assam because of the last few years she has had. Ever since her strong showing in Jakarta at the last Asiad, she has not been herself. With injuries robbing her off a few years, she has tried to focus on the two sprints (she will be taking part in the 200m in this meet).

Staying with the 200m, her primary competition will come from Dhanalakshmi who had stunned the likes of Hima and Dutee Chand in the 100m final of the Federation Cup last year. It remains to be seen if Hima has fully recovered from the hamstring injury that ruled her out of action since the National Inter-State Athletics Championship, which also saw her miss the Tokyo Games. Hima has been training in Thiruvananthapuram for the last few months alongside other athletes and a lot of focus will be on how she performs and her fitness level after the injury lay-off.

While Hima and many other star athletes will be kick-starting their season, for the likes of long-jumper M Sreeshankar, it will be about carrying forward the momentum from two weeks ago. At the India Open Jumps competition, he managed to pip Muhammed Anees with an 8.17m effort. For the national record holder, it will be about continuing to cross the eight-metre mark again. It will serve as good preparation ahead of the World Indoors in Belgrade where the star jumper is expected to feature.

Full story: newindianexpress.com

Big victory for Lakshya

PTI @ Muelheim An Der Ruhr (Germany)

WORLD Championships bronze medallist Lakshya Sen stunned Olympic gold winner Viktor Axelsen to enter the final of German Open Super 300 tournament here on Saturday.

The 20-year-old Sen, who had claimed his maiden Super 500 title at the India Open in January, continued his rich vein of form as he sent the world No. 1 and top-seed Axelsen packing with a 21-13, 12-21, 22-20 win in the semifinal that lasted one hour and 10 minutes.

It was a memorable performance from the World No 12 Indian as he recorded his first win over his fancied rival who had a 4-0 head-to-head record before Saturday's match.

In the final on Sunday, Sen will face Thailand's Kunlavut Vitidsarn. Sen was ahead throughout the first game that lasted 21 minutes. He did not give the Dane any chance to get ahead of him. Axelsen found it difficult to match Sen's pace. Sen opened up with a 4-1 lead and then extended it to 9-4. But Axelsen narrowed it down to 7-9 before Sen grabbed four consecutive points to make it 13-7.

EXPRESS READ

Jharkhand send Nagaland on a leather hunt in Ranji

KOLKATA: Kumar Kushagra's elegant unbeaten 112, coupled with Virat Singh's 107, steered Jharkhand to an imposing 402 for 5 on the first day of their Ranji Trophy pre-quarterfinal match against Nagaland. Nagaland had won the toss and elected to field first at the Eden Gardens.

Brief scores: Jharkhand 402/5 in 87 ovs (Kushagra 112, Virat 107, Suraj 66) vs Nagaland.

Sathiyan advances, Sharath & Manika out

NEW DELHI: G Sathiyan began his men's singles campaign in the Singapore Smash 2022 on a winning note when he beat Peng Yew En Koen of Chinese Taipei 11-6, 8-11, 11-9, 11-8 in the first round. A Sharath Kamal went down to Sweden's Anton Kallberg 1-3 (11-6, 7-11, 6-11, 8-11). Another Indian ace Manika Batra also failed to capitalise in the first game against Mo Zhang to make her exit.

India women lose 1-2 to Germany in shoot-out

BHUBANESWAR: The Indian women's hockey team lost 1-2 to Germany in a shoot-out after both the teams were locked at 1-1 at the end of the regulation time in the first match of the double-leg FIH Pro League here on Saturday. Early goals from Navneet Kaur (4th minute) and Carlotta Sippel (5th) set the tone for what was an exciting contest between World No 9 India and World No 5 Germany.

NOTICE UNDER ORDER V RULE XX OF CODE OF CIVIL PROCEDURE IN THE COURT OF THE LXIX ADDL CITY CIVIL JUDGE AT BANGALORE O.S. NO 4156/2021 (CCH NO 70)

BETWEEN: Ms. Nabhania Tirumale, D/o. Sri. Bhanu Tirumale, aged about 19 years, R/at No.406, Shobha Zircon, Part of Shobha Ultima Project, Jakkur Village, Yelahanka, Bengaluru-560 064. ...PLAINTIFFS

AND: Sri. Mr. H. Bharath AND OTHERS ...DEFENDANTS

NOTICE TO DEFENDANT NO.1

Mr. H. Bharath, aged about 27 years, S/o. K. Hema Reddy, R/at No.3, Amara Court Yard, SGR Dental College, Munnekolalu, Marathahalli, Bengaluru -560 037

Whereas the above-named plaintiff Ms. Nabhania Tirumale has instituted a suit against Mr. H. Bharath and others seeking for the Declaration, possession and cancellation of sale deeds in favour of 2nd defendant and other ancillary reliefs. You are hereby summoned to appear in the court of City Civil Judge at Bangalore, CCH 70, on **08/04/2022** at 11.00 A.M. to answer the same, failing which the suit will be heard and determined thereby placing you ex parte. Given under my hand the seal of the Court, this the Day of March, 2022. By order of the Court, Assistant Registrar, City Civil Court, Bangalore.

Advocate for Plaintiff: **Manu P Kumar**
Kumar & Kumar, Advocates
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PUBLIC NOTICE

It is brought to the public notice that we, **Shankara M, Jagadeesha M, Papaiah M and Mahalaksmi A** negogiated and are in process of purchasing the Properties, which are more fully described in the Schedule hereunder and hereinafter referred to as Schedule Property from its owners **Sri. B.R.Mohan, Sri.B.V.Chandrashekar, Sri. B.V Anandraj, Smt. B.V Nirmala, Sri.B.V Muniraju and their family members.**

Any person/s objecting for the proposed purchase in any manner whatsoever or having any right in the Schedule Properties may lodge their objection/s and /or claims with the under signed along with the supporting documentary evidence with in **Ten days** from the date of publication, and objections and /or claims received thereafter will not be entertained and binding on us and we will proceed to complete the Sale process of the Schedule Properties deeming that there is /are no claim/s or objection/s to the same. Further General Public are hereby notified that, without our information no one shall trasnact with the above said persons in respect of the Schedule Property

SCHEDULE PROEPRTY

All that piece and parcel of the property bearing **SY. No 43/1,** measuring 1 acre 29 Guntas, Sy. No 95, measuring 2 acre 1 Gunta, Sy No. 75/2, 75/3, 75/4 measuring 1 Acre, 1 Guntas, Sy. No. 74, measuring 1 acre 20 Guntas, Sy. No. 43/2, measuring 2 acre, 12 Guntas, Sy. No. 71/2, measuring 2 acre, 13 Guntas, Sy. No. 72/1, measuring 5 acre, 11 Guntas, (including 18 Guntas 'A' karab), Sy. No. 94/1, measuring 1 acre, 31 Guntas, (including 3 Guntas karab), Sy. No 41/2, measuring 2 acre, 4 Guntas, all are situated at **Solur Village, Kasaba Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Urban District.**

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"TENDER NOTIFICATION"

Tenders have been invited from registered Contractors / agencies, for works at various campuses of the University. The details of the tender can be had through e-procurement portal (http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in). For more details please contact 0836-2214214/332 during office hours. Interested agencies need to register with the e-Procurement portal for participating in the tender. For details of registration please contact ph. No: **080-46010000.**

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

1	Last Date & Time for Tender Queries / Clarifications.	15.03.2022	Up to	16.00 Hrs
2	Last Date & Time for receipt of tenders.	17.03.2022	Up to	16.00 Hrs
3	Date & Time for Opening of Financial Bid.	18.03.2022	At	16.15 Hrs

Note: The bidders shall get updated / acquainted with ADDENDUM / CORRIGENDUM (if any) issued on-line from time to time on the e-procurement portal during the entire tender process.

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ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಇಂಜಿನೀಯರವರ ಕಚೇರಿ, ಗ್ರಾಮೀಣ ಕುಡಿಯುವ ನೀರು & ನೈರ್ಮಲ್ಯ ವಿಭಾಗ, ಧಾರವಾಡ

ಕ್ರ.ಸಂ./ಗ್ರಾ.ಕು.ನೀ.&ನೈ./ವಿಧಾ/ಸ.ಇಂ.1/ಇ-ಟೆಂಡರ/2021-22/2934 ದಿನಾಂಕ : 11-03-2022

ಅಲ್ಪಾವಧಿ ಟೆಂಡರ 2 ನೇ ಕರೆ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ 52/2021-22
(ಇ-ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರಮೆಂಟ ಮುಖಾಂತರ ಮಾತ್ರ)

ವಿಷಯ : ಅಲ್ಪಾವಧಿ ಟೆಂಡರ 2 ನೇ ಕರೆ ಕುರಿತು.

ಮೇಲ್ಕಾಣಿಸಿದ ವಿಷಯಕ್ಕೆ ಸಂಬಂಧಿಸಿದಂತೆ ಈ ಕಚೇರಿಯಿಂದ ಪ್ರಕಟಿಸಿದ ಕುಂದಗೋಳ ತಾಲೂಕಿನ ಈ ಕೆಳಗಿನ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿ ಟೆಂಡರ 2 ನೇ ಕರೆ ದಿನಾಂಕವನ್ನು ಈ ಕೆಳಗಿನಂತೆ ಪ್ರಕಟಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ.

ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಯ ವಿವರ ಈ ಕೆಳಗಿನಂತಿದೆ.

ಕುಂದಗೋಳ ತಾಲೂಕ : Indent No. 36105

ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರ ಅರ್ಹತೆ : ಅರ್ಹ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರಿಂದ ಇ-ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ಇದ್ದಂತೆ.

ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆ ಕಾರ್ಯಕ್ರಮದ ವಿವರಗಳು ಇಂತಿವೆ (Calander of Event)

1) ಖಾಲಿ ಟೆಂಡರ ಫಾರ್ಮಗಾಗಿ ಇ-ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರಮೆಂಟ ಮುಖಾಂತರ ಅರ್ಜಿ ಹಾಗೂ ಶೆಡ್ಯೂಲ್ ಬಿ ಗಳನ್ನು ವೆಬ್‌ಸೈಟನಲ್ಲಿ ಭರ್ತಿ ಮಾಡಿ, ಸಲ್ಲಿಸುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ : 19-03-2022 ಸಾಯಂಕಾಲ 4.00 ಘಂಟೆಯವರೆಗೆ

2) ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ ಹಾಗೂ ಆರ್ಥಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ : 21-03-2022 ಸಾಯಂಕಾಲ 4.30 ಘಂಟೆಗೆ

ಟೆಂಡರ ಫಾರ್ಮಗಳನ್ನು ಪಡೆಯುವುದು, ಭರ್ತಿ ಮಾಡುವುದು ಮತ್ತು ಸಲ್ಲಿಸುವುದು ವೆಬ್‌ಸೈಟ್ ಮುಖಾಂತರ ಮಾತ್ರ ಆಸಕ್ತ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರು ವಿವರಗಳನ್ನು ಮತ್ತು ಷರತ್ತುಗಳನ್ನು ವೆಬ್‌ಸೈಟ್ www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in ನಲ್ಲಿ ಲಾಗ್‌ಇನ್ ಮಾಡಿ ನೋಡಬಹುದು.

ಯಾವುದೇ ಕಾರಣ ನೀಡದೆ, ಟೆಂಡರಗಳನ್ನು ಸ್ವೀಕರಿಸುವ ಅಥವಾ ತಿರಸ್ಕರಿಸುವ ಅಧಿಕಾರವನ್ನು ಈ ಕೆಳಗೆ ಸಹಿ ಮಾಡಿದವರು ಹೊಂದಿರುತ್ತಾರೆ.

ಸಹಿ/- ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಇಂಜನೀಯರರು,
ಗ್ರಾಮೀಣ ಕುಡಿಯುವ ನೀರು ಮತ್ತು ನೈರ್ಮಲ್ಯ ವಿಭಾಗ, ಧಾರವಾಡ.

ವಾ.ಸಾ.ಇ./ಧಾ/1126/2021-22/ದೇಶಪಾಂಡೆಪಬ್ಲಿಸಿಟಿ

ಕೋವಿಡ್-19 - ರಾಷ್ಟ್ರವನ್ನು ಹರಡಬೇಡಿ, ಜವಾಬ್ದಾರಿಯುತ ವರ್ತಿಸಿ, ಸೋಂಕನ್ನು ದೂರವಿಡಿ-ಸೋಂಕಿತರನ್ನಲ್ಲ

ಮಾಸ್ಕ್ ಧರಿಸಿ | 6 ಅಡಿ ದೈಹಿಕ ಅಂತರ ಪಾಲಿಸಿ | ಕೈಗಳ ಸ್ವಚ್ಛತೆ ಕಾಪಾಡಿಕೊಳ್ಳಿ

SOUTH WESTERN RAILWAY
E-Tender Notice No. MYS/COML/SLR/26 Trains DT 07.03.2022

The undersigned on behalf of the President of India, Invites E-Tender for the following work:

Name of work : Leasing of Brake Vans (SLRs) of 26 Trains for a period of 5 years originating from Mysore Division.

Last Date of Submission of bids **Up to 16:00 hrs. on 11.04.2022**

For details log on : www.ireps.gov.in

Senior Divisional Commercial Manager Mysuru

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GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA
ZILLA PANCHAYATH, BELLARY
Office of the Executive Engineer, P.R.E. Division, Bellary,
No. EE/PRED/BLY/AE-1/DMF/TDR/2021-22/2076 Dt. 09-03-2022

Tender Notification (Through E-portal only)

On behalf of Hon'ble Governor of Karnataka tenders are invited from the eligible contractors who have enrolled in Panchayath Raj Engineering Department for 01 work comprising of approved building work under DMF scheme through e-procurement portal. Contractors are required to submit the tender before 25-03-2022 at 4.00 PM by uploading the relevant documents through e-procurement portal website www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in/e-portal/index.seam by downloading the formats for submission of tenders from 10-03-2022 to 25-03-2022 at 4.00 PM. Tenders will be opened through e-proc portal on 28-03-2022 at 5.00 PM. Any changes in the notification will be published in e-procurement website only. Accepting/rejection of tenders without assigning reason is reserved. Any details can be obtained in person at the office or through telephone No. 08392-266173.

Sd/- Executive Engineer, P.R.E Division, Ballari.
DIPR/Ballari/840/MCA/2021-22

ಜಿಲ್ಲಾಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳ ಕಾರ್ಯಾಲಯ
ಜಿಲ್ಲಾ ನಗರಾಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ಕೋಶ
ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರ
ದೂರವಾಣಿ: 08392-273465
E-Mail:dudc_bellary@yahoo.co.in
ಜಿಲ್ಲಾಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳ ಕಛೇರಿ ಆವರಣ, ಬಳ್ಳಾರಿ.

ಸಂ:ಜಿನಕೋಬ/ಪಿ.ಪಿ.ಎಂ.ಎಸ್/ಬಳ್ಳಾರಿ/01/2021-22 ದಿನಾಂಕ: 07-03-2022

INVITATION FOR TENDER

Tenders are invited by the Deputy Commissioner, Ballari Dist from the registered Agencies/ firms as per Karnataka Transparency in Public Procurement Act-2001 & registered company/consulatncy firms under companies Act 1956 & Latest amendments thereafter through e-procurement, Government of Karnataka https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in for Appointment of **CONCESSIONAIRE** for implementation and maintenance of led street lights and centralized control & monitoring system through Public Private Partnership (PPP) in Ballari Dist ULB's limit.

Sl No	Indent No	Name of Work	EMD Amount (in Rupees)	Project Period
1	DUDC/BLY/LED/CCMS /01/Cons/2021-22/ CALL-2	Implementation of Energy Efficiency Project for streetlights by replacement of existing conventional lamps with LED Lamps along with Centralized Control And Monitoring System (CCMS) in ULBs in Ballari Dist limits through PPP mode.	As per Bid Document	8 months (including monsoon period) and operation and Maintenance for seven years

1. Tender documents can be downloaded from the e-procurement portal of the Government of Karnataka from 09.03.2022.
2. Pre Bid Meeting on 14.03.2022 at 15.30 PM, DUDC, Ballari.
3. Last date for submission of tenders through e-procurement portal on or before 17.00 hours on 23.03.2022
4. Opening of Technical Bid on 25.03.2022 by 11.30 AM hours.
5. Opening of Financial Bid on 31.03.2022 by 11.30 Am hours.

For further details contact this office phone No.08392-273466, E.E DUDC Ballari: 7829127957 & Nodal Officer:- 9164399370 and e-mail ID: dudc_bellary@yahoo.co.in

Sd/-
Deputy Commissioner Ballari

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BANGALORE CANTONMENT BRANCH
APPENDIX IV-A [See proviso to rule 8(6)]

SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

Auction Sale Notice for sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the constructive possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of **Tamilnad Mercantile Bank Ltd., Bangalore Cantonment Branch,** Secured Creditor, will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is" and "Whatever there is"** on **30.03.2022,** for recovery of **Rs.1,07,61,368.55** (Rupees One Crore Seven Lakh Sixty One Thousand Three Hundred Sixty Eight and Paise Fifty Five only) **{i.e Rs.58,70,528.01 in Term Loan I & Rs.48,90,840.54 in Term Loan-II as on 28.02.2022}** due to **Tamilnad Mercantile Bank Limited, Bangalore Cantonment Branch** from the Borrower **Mr.R.V.Krishnamurthy,** S/o.Mr.Vellasamy, Proprietor, **M/s.Sri Bhuvanesh Engineering Works and the Guarantors Ms.K.Rukmani,** W/o.Mr.R.V.Krishnamurthy, **Mr.K.Muthukumar** S/o.Mr.R.V.Krishnamurthy and **Mr.D.Rajendran,** S/o.Mr.Deivanayagam.

The Reserve Price will be **Rs.48,10,000/-** for Property No.1 & **Rs.39,00,000/-** for Property No.2 and the earnest money deposit will be **Rs.4,81,000/-** for Property No.1 & **Rs.3,90,000/-** for Property No.2.

Place of Auction	Tamilnad Mercantile Bank Ltd. Mullakkadu Branch, Tiruchendur Road, SPIC Nagar, HWP Colony Mullakadu, Thoothukudi-628 005
Date and Time of Auction Sale	**30.03.2022 at 11.30 A.M**

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTIES

Property No.1: Land to the extent of 74 cents at S.No.265/3A2 situated at Ayyankovil Street, Mullakadu Village, Muthaiahpuram Panchayat, Thoothukudi District in the name of Mrs.K.Rukmani. **Boundaries:** North : East - West Road, South : SPIC Compound Wall East : Land of Madasamy Nadar & others, West : Land of P. Andi Thevar & A.Subbammal,
Reserve Price : Rs.48,10,000/-

Property No.2 : Land to the extent of 10890 sq.ft. and 2178 sq.ft., totally measuring 13068 sq.ft (or) 30 cents situated at S.No.316, Ayyankovil Street, Mullakadu Village, Muthiahpuram Panchayat, Thoothukudi District standing in the name of **Mr.K.Muthukumar.**

	Boundaries for 10890 sq. ft. (or) 25 cents	Boundaries for 2178 sq. ft. (or) 5 cents
North	20 feet wide East - West Road	Land of Krishnamoorthy
South	20 feet wide East – West Road & 5 cents land of Krishnamoorthy	20 feet wide East - West Road
East	20 feet Wide South - North Road & 5 cents land of Krishnamoorthy	20 feet wide South - North Road
West	Land of Krishnammal	Land of Krishnamoorthy

Reserve Price : Rs.39,00,000/-

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in secured creditors website **(www.tmb.in)**

Place : Bengaluru
Date : 12.03.2022

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Tamilnad Mercantile Bank Limited
Bangalore Cantonment Branch

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client **Smt. Sujatha** D/o R. Venkatachalamma, resident of Bangalore has lost her original sale deed dated 01/09/2003 registered on 03/09/20003 vide document no BNG(U)SR/D.No.3133 dated 3/09//2003 Book No.-,1registered before The sub-Registrar Basavangudi, bangalore was lost on 11/3/2022 in respect of Flat/Apartment bearing 301, 3rd floor, Abhinav Poorna Palace, situated at No.40, K. R. Road, Basavangudi, Bangalore, the police complaint is lodged in lost report No-179946/2022 and if anybody find said original sale deed, Please return to undersigned

M.N. Krishna,
Legal consultant
Family Counsellor & Advocate,
M/s. K.K. Law associates,
No.947/168, First floor, Raitha Bandhu Bhavan, II Main, 4th block, Rajajinagar, Bnagalore-560010
Ph: 9845374768, 08023115539
Email: krishnamn51@gmail.com

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general public that my client is intending to purchase the below mentioned Schedule 'B' and 'C' Property from its absolute owners Sri. Ramachandra. N, Aged about 72 Years, Son of Sri. Manjappa. N, residing at "Vishwamithra", 4th Cross, Basavanagudi, Shivamogga – 577 201 and Sri.Vishwanatha.N, Aged about 40 Years, Son of Sri.Ramachandra.N, residing at No.520, 1st Floor, 'Divine', Maruthi Layout, Vasanthapura, Bangalore – 560 061, who purchased Schedule 'B' and 'C' Property in terms of Absolute Sale Deed dated 10/03/2011 and registered as Document No. BSK-1-08540-2010-11 and also stored in C.D.No.BSKD103 in the Office of the Sub Registrar, Banashankari, Bangalore on 10/03/2011. Further both Sri. Ramachandra. N and Sri. Vishwanatha. N declare that the said Schedule 'B' and 'C' Property is their self acquired property and no body else has/have got any right, title, share and/or interest in the Schedule 'B' and 'C' Property.

Person/s, Financial Institution/s, Company/ Companies, Government Body/ Bodies objecting for the proposed purchase of the Schedule 'B' and 'C' Property or having any claim/s, right, title, share and/or interest in the Schedule 'B' and 'C' Property may lodge their objections and/or claim/s with the undersigned along with supporting documentary evidence within 10 days from the date of this publication and objections and/or claim/s received thereafter will not be binding on my client and my client will proceed to purchase the below mentioned Schedule 'B' and 'C' Property as if there are no claim/s and/or objections.

SCHEDULE 'A' PROPERTY

All that property bearing Site No.520 of now comes under BBMP Uttarahalli Sub-Division, Bangalore having BBMP Khatha No.616/520 situated at Shri Maruthi Co-operative Housing Society Ltd.. Layout, Vasanthapura Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk and measuring East to West: 40 Feet and North to South: 60 Feet, in all totally measuring 2400 Square Feet and bounded on the

East by : Site No.521; **West by :** Site No.519; **North by :** Road; and **South by :** Site No.524.

SCHEDULE 'B' PROPERTY

Undivided share, right, title and interest in the composite property specified in Schedule 'A' Property measuring 400 Square Feet.

SCHEDULE 'C' PROPERTY

Residential Unit No.G2 in Ground Floor measuring 1050 Square Feet of Super Built Up Area along with One Covered Car Parking space on the Stilt Floor, in the Residential complex known as "DIVINE" constructed on Schedule 'A' Property along with proportionate share of common areas such as passage, balcony, staircase and other common areas used for common use as per the attached specification and bounded on the

East by : Site No.521; **West by :** Site No.519; **North by :** Residential Unit No.G1 and **South by :** Site No.524.

ADVOCATE
(C.K.RAGHAVENDRA)
20/4, IV Floor ,Vasavi Plaza, Dr. DVG Road, Basavangudi, Bangalore-560 004
Place : Bangalore
Date : 12/03/2022

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APPAREL PARK BRANCH (11287)
KIADB APPAREL PARK, DODDABALLAPURA - 561203.
TEL : 080-27630385, Email : sbi.11287@sbi.co.in

POSSESSION NOTICE (For Immovable property) [Rule 8(1)]

MC- (OD) A/C NO. 39743720174 DRS

Whereas, the undersigned being the authorised officer of the **State Bank of India, Apparel Park Branch (11287) Doddaballapura,** under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (12) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a **Demand Notice dated 31-12-2021** calling upon the **Borrowers: 1) Sri. K.A. Ramakrishna, S/o. Late Anjinappa, 2) Manjula R, W/o. K.A. Ramakrishna, (Guarantor/Mortgager), 3) R. Chandana, D/o. K.A. Ramakrishna (Mortgager), 4) Hanumantha Gowda, S/o. K.A. Ramakrishna (Mortgager), 5) Spandana R, D/o. K.A. Ramakrishna (Mortgager), All Res @ # Kadaranapura, Kadigenahalli, Chikkajala, Near Anjaneya Temple, Hoskote, Bangalore Rural Dist., 562157.** to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being Rupees **30,35,038/-(Thirty Lakh Thirty Five Thousand Thirty Eight Only)** within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the **undersigned has taken possession** of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Sub Section 4 of Section 13 of Act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) **Rules,** 2002 **on this 11.03.2022**

The borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealing with the property will be subject to the charge of the State Bank of India for an amount **Rs.30,76,203/-(Rupees Thirty Lakh Seventy Six Thousand Two Hundred Three Only) as on 09.03.2022 and interest from 10.03.2022** & charges thereon (till the realization of the dues. The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of Sub Section (8) of the Section 13 of the Act, in respect of, time available to redeem the secured Assets.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the property bearing No.7/1, Kaneshumari Katha No.12/7/1, E-Katha No. 15020020210020012, Situated at Kadiganahalli Village, Betahalsur Post, Sonnapanahalli Grama Panchayath, Jala Hobli, Yalahanka Taluk, Measuring East to West 16.27 mtr & North to South 24.86 mtr and bounded by :- **East by :** Property of Manjula, **West by :** Road, **North by :** Property of Jayamma, **South by :** Property of Veerappa.

Place : Doddaballapura
Date : 11-03-2022

Sd/- Authorised Officer, STATE BANK OF INDIA
Apparel Park Branch (11287)

Office of the Executive Engineer, P.W.D. Special division, Shimoga

Ph: 08182-222942, E-Mail : spdivision@gmail.com

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION (Two-cover system) - Call-2

IFT NO: 84/ 2021-22 **Date : 10-03-2022**

The Executive Engineer, Public Works Department, Shimoga Special Division, invites tenders as per K.T.P.P act 2000, in standard Bid document K/W-3 (two cover system) Contractors has registered in PWD Department Class-3 & above can apply for the work approved under in 5054-04-337-0-01-154 App-E MDR **Improvements to MDR from SH-65 to Connecting SH-65 via Umblebailu, Kaidotalu, Siddamaji Hosuru, Lingapura from Km. 8.25 to 10.00 in Shivamogga Tq. (Indent No.148039) Call-2 Work. Amount put to tender is. Rs. 89.27 lakhs and EMD amount is Rs. 1.79 Lakhs. Time allowed for Completion of work is 06 Months including Monsoon.**

The Tenderers may submit tenders through E-procurement Portal of the Government of Karnataka (http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in). The Tenderers are advised to note the minimum qualification criteria specified in Clause 3 of the Section-2 (instruction to tenderers) of document, to qualify for award of the contract. Tender documents may be downloaded from the e-Procurement Portal from **10.03.2022 to 17.03.2022.** last date for Receipt of tender is on : **17.03.2022 at 17.00 P M.** The technical bid will be opened on : **18.03.2022 at 17.30 AM** onwards and the financial bid will be opened after **19.03.2022 at 11.00 AM Onwards.** If there any Chenges is publication Puplished through E-Procurment only. For More information may be obtained from the office during working hours. Information Published in Website is Final.

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Sd/-Executive Engineer,
PWD Special Division, Shimoga.

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No.2 division,Oddarahatti Camp, State:Karnataka Ph No: 08533-271361

No.KNNL/EE.2/TS/ Quarters /2021-22/ 1755 Date:05-03-2022

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION CALL-2 (Only through e-procurement system)

On behalf of the Managing Director KNNL Bangalore the Executive Engineer No.2 Division Odderahatti the undersigned invites in www.e-proc.kar.nic.in percentage basis tenders in **Two Cover** from the registered eligible KNNL contractors, Works Related to **"construction of quarters"** and bidder can access amount put to tender **Rs. 299.68 Lakhs**, EMD for **Rs. 3.00 Lakhs** and additional details etc., in above website. Calendar of events, the last date for submission of tender **Dt: 17-03-2022 up to 4.30 PM** and tender opening Technical Bid on **Dated: 18-03-2022 at 4.40 PM** and Financial Bid at **19-03-2022 at 11.00 AM** or After approval of Technical Bid respectively. Conditional tenders are liable to be rejected. The officer competent to accept the tender shall have the right to reject any or all the tenders without assigning any reason whatsoever. For any other clarification/details contact **www.e-proc.kar.nic.in** or under signed office during office hours Contact No-**08533-271361.**

Sd/- **Executive Engineer KNNL**
No.2 Canal Division Odderahatti Camp

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CITY UNION BANK LIMITED

Credit Recovery and Management Department
Administrative Office: No.24-B, Gandhi Nagar, Kumbakonam - 612 001. **E-Mail ID:** crmd@cityunionbank.in, **Phone:** 0435-2432322, **Fax:** 0435-2431746

TENDER-CUM-AUCTION SALE NOTICE UNDER SARFAESI ACT 2002

The following property/ies mortgaged to **City Union Bank Limited** will be sold in Tender-cum-Public Auction by the Authorised Officer of the Bank, under Rule 8 (6) & 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, under the SARFAESI Act, 2002, for recovery of a sum of **Rs.1,39,65,642/- (Rupees One Crore Thirty Nine Lakh Sixty Five Thousand Six Hundred and Forty Two Only)** as on **08-03-2022** together with further interest to be charged from **09-03-2022** onwards and other expenses, any other dues to the Bank by the borrowers / guarantors **No.1) Mr. Shekhar, S/o. Lakshman Pandit, No.623, 7th Main Road, 10th Cross, D Group Lay-out, Srigandhada Kaval, Bangalore - 560091. No.2) Mrs. Indra Devi, W/o. Mr. Shekhar, No.623, 7th Main Road, 10th Cross, D Group Layout, Srigandhada Kaval, Bangalore - 560091. No.3) M/s. Kamakya Polymers, No.3, Thunga Nagar, Herohalli, Magadi Main Road, Bangalore - 560091.**

Immovable Property Mortgaged to our Bank
Property - 1: (Property Owned by Mr. Shekhar, S/o. Mr. Lakshman Pandit)

All that piece and parcel of the Site Nos.9 & 10, Katha No.7 (Old No.78), Assessment No.43, situated at Bylakonenahalli Village, coming under Kadabagere Village coming under Kadabagere Village Panchayata Limits, Dasanapura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk. Measuring:- East to West - Northern Side 38 Feet, Southern Side 35 Feet; North to South 80 Feet. Totally measuring 2,920 Sq.Ft. and bounded on the : East by - Site No.8 and 11, West by - Road, North by - Road, South by - Road, Registered as Document No.7604 at S.R.O. Rajaji Nagar (Vijaya Nagar). In this above site area building with plinth area of Ground Floor - 2,296 Sq.Ft., Mezzanine - 1,200 Sq.Feet, First Floor - 2,296 Sq.Feet and Second Floor - 2,296 Sq.Feet, Terrace - 170 Sq.Feet exists.

Reserve Price: Rs.1,50,00,000/-
(Rupees One Crore Fifty Lakh Only)

AUCTION DETAILS

Date of Tender-cum-Auction Sale	Venue
20-04-2022	**City Union Bank Limited, Bengaluru-Vijay Nagar Branch,** No.23/1, 17th Cross, M.C. Layout, Near Maruthi Mandir, Vijay Nagar, Bengaluru Rural, Karnataka - 560040. Telephone No.080-23504001, Cell No.7483060906.

Terms and Conditions of Tender-cum-Auction Sale:

(1) The intending bidders should be present in person for the auction and participate personally and give a declaration in writing to the effect that he/she is bidding for himself / herself. (2) The intending bidders may obtain the Tender Forms from **The Manager, City Union Bank Limited, Bengaluru-Vijay Nagar Branch, No.23/1, 17th Cross, M.C. Layout, Near Maruthi Mandir, Vijay Nagar, Bengaluru Rural, Karnataka - 560040. (3)** The intending bidders should submit their bids only in the Tender Form prescribed in sealed envelopes addressed to **The Authorised Officer, City Union Bank Ltd.,** together with a Pay Order / Demand Draft for an EMD of **10%** of the Reserve Price, drawn in favour of **"City Union Bank Ltd.", on or before 12.00 Noon** on the date of Tender-cum-Auction Sale hereby notified. **(4)** For inspection of the property and other particulars, the intending purchaser may contact **Telephone Nos.080-23504001, Cell No. 7483060906. (5)** The property/ies are sold on "As-is-where-is", "As-is-what-is" and "whatever- there is" basis. **(6)** The sealed tenders will be opened in the presence of the intending bidders at **01.00 p.m.** on the date of Tender-cum-Auction Sale hereby notified. Though in general the sale will be by way of closed tenders, the Authorised Officer may, at his sole discretion, conduct an Open Auction among the interested bidders who desire to quote a bid higher than the one received in the closed tender process, and in such an event, the sale shall be conferred on the person making highest bid. The sale, however, is subject to confirmation of City Union Bank Limited. **(7)** The successful bidder shall have to pay **25% (inclusive of EMD paid)** of the sale amount **immediately** on completion of sale and the balance amount of **75%** within **15 days** from the date of confirmation of sale, failing which the initial deposit of **25%** shall be forfeited. **(8)** The Sale Certificate will be issued by the Authorised Officer in favour of the successful purchaser only after receipt of the entire sale consideration within the time limit stipulated herein. **(9)** The successful purchaser shall bear the charges/fees payable for conveyance, such as stamp duty, registration fee etc., as applicable under law. **(10)** The successful bidder should pay the statutory dues (lawful house tax, electricity charges and other dues), TDS, GST if any, due to Government, Government Undertaking and local bodies. **(11)** The Authorised Officer shall have all the powers to accept or reject the bids or postpone or cancel the sale without assigning any reason whatsoever.

Place: Kumbakonam, Date: 11-03-2022 **Authorised Officer**

Regd. Office: 149, T.S.R. (Big) Street, Kumbakonam, Thanjavur District, Tamil Nadu - 612 001, **CIN -** L65110TN1904PLC001287, **Telephone No.**0435-2402322, **Fax:** 0435-2431746, **Website:** www.cityunionbank.com

RAIL INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT COMPANY (KARNATAKA) LIMITED

(A Joint Venture of Govt. of Karnataka & Ministry of Railways)
Regd. office: Office:1st Floor, SamparkaSoudha, Opp. Orion Mall, Rajajinagar 1st Block, Bengaluru–10
CIN: U60100KA2000PLC028171

e-TENDER NOTICE

Tender Notice No.: K-RIDE/DL/06/2022. **Date: 11.03.2022**

e-tenders are invited from experienced agencies for the following work

Name of the Work	Estimated value of the work
"Shifting of Electrical Utilities infringing to proposed track doubling work between Yesvantpur to Hosur".	₹ 5.54 Cr
Last date for submission of above tender is 11.04.2022	

For details, visit: **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** or **www.kride.in**

Sd/-
JGM / Electrical

DIPR/DDU/3743/SPAN/2021-22

SBI
STATE BANK OF INDIA

Authorised Officer's Details:
Name :Smt. S.K. Geetha
E-mail ID: sbi.17753@sbi.co.in
Mobile No: 8904815180
Landline No.(office): 080-28411010/28411020

Authorised Officer's address:
RETAIL ASSETS CENTRAL PROCESSING CENTRE (RACPC -4) WHITE FIELD (17753)
NO.117,Ground Floor , Neil Rao Towers,
Road No.3, EPIP phase I, White Field Road,
Bengaluru - 560 066.

APPENDIX- IV-A
[See proviso to rule 8 (6)]
SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrowers/Mortgager, that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured creditor, Symbolic possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of State Bank of India, Secured Creditor, will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is" and "Whatever there is"** basis on **19.04.2022** for recovery of **Rs.65,81,299/-** (Rupees Sixty Five Lakhs Eighty One Thousand Two Hundred Ninety Nine Only) as on 07.03.2022+ interest + expenses and costs, due to State Bank of India, Secured creditor from **Sri. Siddalingaswamy B J** S/o Sri. Jagadisha (Borrower). The reserve price, earnest money deposit and bid increment amount and last date for receipt of EMD will be as under:-

Property No.	Reserve Price (below which the property will not be sold)	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD)	Bid increment amount
1.	Rs. 54,00,000/-	Rs. 5,40,000/-	Rs. 50,000.00

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY

Tender No: SBI/RACPC-4 WF/01
Property– Title deed holder: Sri. Siddalingaswamy B J S/o Sri. Jagadisha
SCHEDULE OF PROPERTY : (Entire property in which the building is constructed)
All that piece and parcel of the property bearing numbers 5,6,7,8,9,14,15,22,23,24,16,17,18,19, 20,21,25A,26,27, and 28, BBMP Khata Number 1324/866/5, situated at Maruthi Nagar, Kogilu Village Road, Yelahanka, Bangalore North measuring East to West 183.5 + 165.3/2 and North to South 223+ 147/2 feet and bounded on the East by : Private Property, West by : Road, North By: Road and Maruthi Nagar Housing Board Layout, South by: property belonging to Smt. Vijayamma
(Property conveyed to the borrower) : 338.8 Sq.ft. undivided right, title and interest respectively in the immovable property mentioned in schedule above.
(Description of the Flat) : A Two bedroom apartment bearing No.310 situated on third floor in building known as " Midhila Deluxe" constructed on the above mentioned Schedule of the property with a super builtup area of 1210 Square feet having RCC Roofing, vitrified Flooring,main Door and Shutter decorative moulded, made of quality hardwood (both side teak finish), wood windows/ internal flush doors with Sal Wood Frames with proportionate share in common areas, lobbies, passages, lifts, staircase etc., with electricity water and sanitary connections with all appurtenances whatsoever with common use of approach to car park area and staircase standing in the name of Sri. Siddalingaswamy B J S/o Sri.Jagadisha and bounded on the: East by : Open to Sky, West by : Passage Area, North by: Flat No.311,South by: Flat No.309.

The sale shall be subject to provision of the Securitisation and Reconstructions of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002
For further details regarding inspection of property the intending bidder may contact the Authorised Officer, **State Bank of India, Retail Assets Central Processing Centre (RACPC-4) White Field (17753), Bengaluru** during office hours, **Phone No.: 080-28411010/1020** or Bank approved Resolution Agent, **Sri Devi Resolution Pvt. Ltd., Bangalore Representative: Jagadeesh N 9902401486.**
To the best of knowledge of the Authorised Officer, there is no encumbrance on any of the above said properties. For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in https://www.mstcecommerce.com/auctionhome/ibapi/index.jsp.

Place: Bengaluru,
Date: 09.03.2022

Sd/- Authorized Officer
State Bank of India
RACPC -4, Whitefield, Bengaluru

CITY UNION BANK LIMITED

Credit Recovery and Management Department
Administrative Office : No. 24-B, Gandhi Nagar, Kumbakonam - 612 001.
E-Mail id : crmd@cityunionbank.in, **Ph :** 0435-2432322, **Fax :** 0435-2431746

RE-TENDER-CUM-AUCTION SALE NOTICE UNDER SARFAESI ACT 2002

The following properties mortgaged to **City Union Bank Limited** will be sold in Re-Tender-cum-Public Auction by the Authorised Officer of the Bank, under Rule 8 (6) & 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, under the SARFAESI Act, 2002, for recovery of the undermentioned security debts due to the Bank, together with further interest and other expenses, any other dues to the Bank by the borrowers / guarantors mentioned herein below:

PART - 1

Name of the Borrowers: No.1) Mr. V. Muniyappa, S/o. Venkateshappa, No.1262, Near BES School, Hebbagodi, Bommasandra Industrial Estate, Bangalore - 560099. **No.2. Mrs. Rathnamma,** W/o. V. Muniyappa No.1262, Near BES School, Hebbagodi, Bommasandra Industrial Estate, Bangalore - 560099.

Outstanding Liability Amount : Rs.68,16,487/- (Rupees Sixty Eight Lakh Sixteen Thousand Four Hundred and Eighty Seven Only) as on **07-11-2021** plus accrued interest to be charged from **08-11-2021** plus other expenses, any other dues to the Bank by the borrowers / guarantors.

Description of the Immovable Property Mortgaged to our Bank	Reserve Price	Date & Time of Auction
Schedule - A : (Property Owned by Mr. V. Muniyappa, S/o. Venkateshappa) All that piece and parcel of residentially converted Vacant Site bearing No.7, Old Khatha No.193, present Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike New Municipal No.730/253/254/11/7, formed out of the Residentially converted Survey No.11, situated at Singasandra Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, 192 Ward of BBMP, measuring East to West 91'8", North to South 103' in all 9,455.4 square feet together with all rights, appurtenances whatsoever whether underneath or above the surface. Boundaries : East by : Private Property, West by : 30 feet Road, North by : Private Property, South by : Krishnappa's Property Schedule B Apartment bearing No.404 in Fourth Floor in the building Neha Sadan to be constructed on Schedule A property measuring 1,250 sq.feet of Super built-up Area containing 2 Bedrooms, Hall Dinning and Kitchen, One Covered Car Parking along with proportionate share in Common Area such as Passages, Lobbies, Staircase, Lift excluding terrace, contained with the residential apartment known as Neha Sadan to be constructed on Schedule property as per building specification (Annexure-I). Boundaries : East : Flat No.405, West : Flat No.403, North : Open to Sky, South : Corridor.	₹ 62,00,000/- (Rupees Sixty Two Lakh Only)	07-04-2022 at 01.00 p.m.

PART - 2

Name of the Borrowers: No.1) Mr. K.S. Avinash, S/o. Late. K.R. Sathish, No.A-3, Guru-Krupa Residency, 6th Cross, 9th Main, Gururaja Layout, B.S.K. 3rd Stage, Bangalore South, Bangalore - 560085. **No.2) Mrs. B.P. Nagarathna,** W/o. Late. K.R. Sathish, No.A-3, Guru-Krupa Residency, 6th Cross, 9th Main, Gururaja Layout, B.S.K. 3rd Stage, Bangalore South, Bangalore - 560085. **No.3) Mr. A Vishwantha,** S/o. Jayaramaiah, No.160, 2nd Main, 2nd Cross, Behind Karumariyamma Temple, Kamalanagar, Basaveshwaranagar, Banagalore North, Karnataka - 560079.

Outstanding Liability Amount : Rs.56,53,494/- (Rupees Fifty Six Lakh Fifty Three Thousand Four Hundred and Ninety Four Only) as on **07-11-2021** plus accrued interest to be charged from **08-11-2021** plus other expenses, any other dues to the Bank by the borrowers / guarantors.

Description of the Immovable Property Mortgaged to our Bank	Reserve Price	Date & Time of Auction
Schedule - A : Property Owned by Mr. A. Vishwantha, S/o. Jayaramaiah) All that piece and parcel of residentially converted Vacant Site bearing No.7, Old Khatha No.193, present Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike New Municipal No.730/253/254/11/7, formed out of the Residentially converted Survey No.11, situated at Singasandra Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, 192 Ward of BBMP, measuring East to West 91'8", North to South 103' in all 9,455.4 square feet together with all rights, appurtenances whatsoever whether underneath or above the surface. Boundaries : East by : Private Property, West by : 30 feet Road, North by : Private Property, South by : Krishnappa's Property Schedule B Apartment bearing No.407 in Fourth Floor in the building Neha Sadan to be constructed on Schedule A property measuring 1,250 sq.feet of Super built-up Area containing 2 Bedrooms, Hall Dinning and Kitchen, One Covered Car Parking along with proportionate share in Common Area such as Passages, Lobbies, Staircase, Lift excluding terrace, contained with the residential apartment known as Neha Sadan to be constructed on Schedule property as per building specification (Annexure-I). Boundaries : East : Private Property, West : Flat No.401, North : Corridor, South : Corridor and Stairs.	₹ 60,00,000/- (Rupees Sixty Lakh Only)	07-04-2022 at 02.00 p.m.

Venue of Re-Tender-cum-Auction: City Union Bank Limited, R.T. Nagar-Bangalore Branch, 590 HMT Layout, 4th Cross, R.T. Nagar, Bangalore - 560032. Telephone No.080-23337000, Cell No. 9342855177.

Terms and Conditions of Re-Tender-cum-Auction Sale :

(1) The intending bidders should be present in person for the auction and participate personally and give a declaration in writing to the effect that he/she is bidding for himself / herself. **(2)** The intending bidders may obtain the Tender Forms from **The Manager, City Union Bank Limited, R.T. Nagar-Bangalore Branch, 590 HMT Layout, 4th Cross, R.T. Nagar, Bangalore - 560032. (3)** The intending bidders should submit their bids only in the Tender Form prescribed in sealed envelopes addressed to **The Authorised Officer, City Union Bank Ltd.,** together with a Pay Order / Demand Draft for an EMD of **10%** of the Reserve Price, drawn in favour of **"City Union Bank Ltd.", on or before 12.00 Noon for PART - 1 & on or before 01.00 p.m. for PART - 2. (4)** For inspection of the property and other particulars, the intending purchaser may contact : **Telephone No.080-23337000, Cell No. 9342855177. (5)** The property/ies are sold on "As-is-where-is", "As-is-what-is" and "whatever-there is" basis. **(6)** The sealed Tenders will be opened in the presence of the intending bidders at **01.00 p.m. for PART - 1 & 02.00 p.m. for PART - 2** properties on the date of Tender-cum-Auction Sale hereby notified. Though in general the Sale will be by way of closed Tenders, the Authorised Officer may, at his sole discretion, conduct an open auction among the interested bidders who desire to quote a bid higher than the one received in the closed Tender process, and in such an event, the Sale shall be conferred on the person making highest bid. The sale, however, is subject to confirmation of **City Union Bank Limited. (7)** The successful bidder shall have to pay **25% (inclusive of EMD paid)** of sale amount **immediately** on completion of sale and the balance amount of **75%** within **15 days** from the date of confirmation of sale, failing which the initial deposit of **25%** shall be forfeited. **(8)** The Sale Certificate will be issued by the Authorised Officer in favour of the successful purchaser only after receipt of the entire sale consideration within the time limit stipulated herein. **(9)** The successful purchaser shall bear the charges/fees payable for conveyance, such as stamp duty, registration fee etc., as applicable under law. **(10)** The successful bidder should pay the statutory dues (lawful house tax, electricity charges and other dues), TDS, GST if any, due to Government, Government Undertaking and local bodies. **(11)** The Authorised Officer shall have all the powers to accept or reject the bids or postpone or cancel the sale without assigning any reason whatsoever.

Place : Kumbakonam
Date : 11-03-2022

Authorised Officer
City Union Bank Ltd.

Regd. Office : 149, T.S.R. (Big) Street, Kumbakonam, Thanjavur District, Tamil Nadu - 612 001, **CIN -** L65110TN1904PLC001287, **Telephone No.** 0435-2402322, **Fax :** 0435-2431746, **Website :** www.cityunionbank.com

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ANNEXURE-E

SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

"APPENDIX- IV-A [See proviso to Rule 6 (2) & 8 (6)]

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 6 (2) & 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.
Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, possession of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of Bank of Baroda, Mayohall Branch Secured Creditor, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" for recovery of below mentioned account/s. The details of Borrower/s/Guarantor/s/Secured Asset/s/Dues/Reserve Price/e-Auction date & Time, EMD and Bid Increase Amount are mentioned below –

Sr. lot no.	Name & address of Borrower/s/Guarantor/s	Description of the immovable property/ies	Total Dues	Date & Time of E-auction	Reserve Price EMD and Bid Increase amount	Status of Possession (Constructive/ Physical)	Property Inspection date & time
1	**1. Mr. G.P.Venkata Naidu,** No.401. 4th floor, Arya Krishna Apartments, Kodigehalli Extension, Vidyaranyapura, Canara Bank Layout, Bangalore – 560092 **2. M/s. Sai Automobiles, Prop: G. Jayaprakash,** S/o G.P.Venkata Naidu, No.158/F, Cantonment, Bellary, Karnataka **3.Mr. G. Jayaprakash,** S/o G.P.Venkata Naidu, C/o M/s. Sai Automobiles, No.158/F, Cantonment, Bellary, Karnataka. **4.Mrs. G.Manoja** W/o G.Jayaprakash C/o M/s. Sai Automobiles, No.158/F, Cantonment, Bellary, Karnataka	Continuing security of all that piece and parcel of Converted Land (ALN(LAY) SR237/2008-09, SY No. 55/6, 54/2, 54/1 & 55/7, BBMP Khatha No.762/54/1, 54/2/55/4, 7 in the name G.P. Venkata Naidu situated at Jakkuru village, Yelahanka Hobli Bengalore – 560063 total land Measuring 28.5 guntas (7 guntas in Sy. No.55/6. 9 guntas in Sy.No.54/2, 1 guntas in Sy. No. 54/1 and 11.5 guntas in Sy. No.55/7 total 28.5 guntas) i.e. 31036.5 sq. feet and RCC building consisting of Ground floor, First floor, Second floor, Third floor and terrace floor total built up area is 56958 sq. ft. (Property already mortgaged to loan ac no. Term Loan (V-Rent) A/c. No. 73890600000505 (114608381000017) in the name of Mr. G.P.Venkata Naidu and loan account numbers 73890500000035, 73890600000276 and 73890600000949 of M/s Sai Automobiles) East: Remaining portion of Sy. No. 55/6, 55/7, & 54/2 West: Remaining portion of Sy. No. 55/6, 55/7, & 54/2 North:Land belongs to Devaraj, ramanna, T S Krishnaiah, Ramakrishna, Narayan & Gopal South:Sy. No. 53 & Land belonging to N Hanumaiah **Note:- Known-Encumbrance 1. Lease Deed dated 01.05.2012 executed between Mr. G. P. Venkat Naidu S/o Late Peddapapaiah and M/s Eduspark International Pvt. Ltd. For a period of 30 (thirty) years on the mortgaged property. 2.Bank is having only symbolic possession since physical possession is stayed by Honorable DRT 1 Bengaluru in SA No.218/2021.**	**Rs. 8,59,24,757.00** (Rupees Eight Crore fifty nine lakhs twenty four thousand seven hundred fifty seven only) plus interest & other charges	**30.03.2022** between 02.00 PM to 06.00 PM	**Rs. 19,00,00,000/- Rs. 1,90,00,000/- Rs.1,00,000/-**	Constructive Possession	**22.03.2022 between 11.00 AM to 04.00 PM 080-25588936 Mobile No: +91-9880002956**
2	**1) Sri Sreedhar B J** S/o Jayaramu (Borrower) Site No 1/A, BBMP Khatha No 46/2/1A, 4th Main, Valagerahalli, Byrava Nagar, South side of Gnanabodhini High School,Dubasipalya, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore 560059 **2) Jayaramu** s/o Puttegowda (Guarantor) Site No 1/A, BBMP Khatha No 46/2/1A,4th Main, Valagerahalli, Byrava Nagar, South side of Gnanabodhini High School, Dubasipalya, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore 560059	Property bearing Site No 1/A, BBMP Khatha No 46/2/1A, 4th Main, Byrava Nagar, Dubasipalya, Valagerahalli, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Tq, Bangalore Extent East to West 25 ft, North to South 30 ft. Total 750 sqft East: Road, West: Property 6/A, North: BDA Property South: Property of Lakshmana Gowda	**Rs 45,49,182.55** (Rupees Forty five lakh forty nine thousand one hundred eighty two and paise fifty five only) plus interest & other charges	**30.03.2022** between 02.00 PM to 06.00 PM	**Rs 56,50,000/- Rs 5,65,000/- Rs 50,000/-**	Physical Possession	**22.03.2022 between 11.00 AM to 04.00 PM 080-25588936 Mobile No: +91-9880002956**

For detailed terms and conditions of sale, please refer to the link provided in **https://www.bankofbaroda.in/e-auction.htm** and **https://ibapi.in.** Also, prospective bidders may contact the authorized officer on **Tel No.080-25588936, Mobile No: +91-9880002956**

Date: 11.03.2022
Place: Bengaluru

Sd/-
Authorised Officer,
Bank of Baroda

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